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MEETING OF CONVOCATIONS.

NORTHERN

REV. LEWIS WALKE, *Dean*

Elkton, Second Tuesday in October, (10th). Chestertown, First Tuesday in February, (6th). St. Paul's, Kent Co., Third Tuesday in May, (15th.)

MIDDLE.

REV. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D., *Dean*.

Wye, Second Tuesday in September, (12th.) Cambridge, Fourth Tuesday in November, (28th.) St. Paul's, Trappe, Second Tuesday in May, (8th.)

SOUTHERN.

REV. JOHN CROSDALE, D. D., *Dean*.

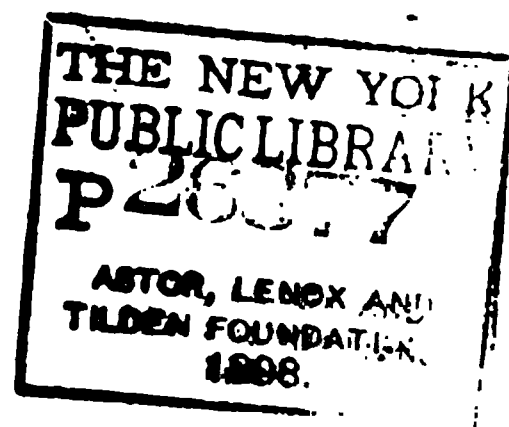
St. Stephen's Church, Fairmount, Fourth Tuesday in October, (24th.) Salisbury, Fourth Tuesday in January, (23d.) Princess Anne, Fourth Tuesday in April, (24th.)

HOME OF THE FRIENDLESS.

Application for admission to the Home for Friendless Children, must be made in writing to the President of the Board, Mrs. HENRY C. LAY, or to the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. M. M. DAWSON, Easton, Talbot County, Maryland.

Remittance should be sent to Mrs. E. A. GOLDSBOROUGH, Easton. Boxes of supplies should be marked with the name of the Parish, and directed to the "Home for Friendless Children, Easton, Maryland."

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Christ Church, Cambridge,

On Wednesday, June 6th, 1877.



LIST OF THE CLERGY

OF THE

DIOCESE OF EASTON, JUNE 7th, 1876.

* * Those whose names are in *italics*, are not entitled to a seat in the Convention, and those marked with an * did not attend its sessions.

Rt. Rev. HENRY C. LAY, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese.

Rev. JOHN CROSDALE, D. D., Rector of Pocomoke Parish.

“ THEODORE P. BARBER, D. D., Rector of Great Choptank Parish.

“ * *John A. Thompson*, residing on Kent Island.

“ ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, Rector of St. Michael's Parish.

“ GEORGE F. BEAVEN, Rector of St. John's Parish.

“ JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D., Deacon, Ass't Min. of Great Choptank Parish.

“ * *Thomas L. Green*, residing at Church Hill.

“ JOSEPH N. WATTSON, Rector of North Kent Parish.

“ JOHN O. BARTON, Rector of Somerset Parish.

“ WILLIAM FULTON, D. D., Rector of Spring Hill Parish.

“ JAMES A. MITCHELL, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's Co.

“ ROBERT WILSON, M. D., Rector of St. Peter's Parish.

“ * JOHN MARTIN, Rector Elect of Shrewsbury Parish.

“ EDWARD J. STEARNS, D. D., Rector of St. Mary's, Whitechapel Parish.

“ WILLIAM B. EVERETT, M. D., Rector of Wye Parish.

“ GEORGE S. FITZHUGH, Rector of Whitemarsh Parish.

“ * *Edward G. Perryman*.

“ JAMES W. HOSKINS, Rector of E. New Market and Vienna Parishes.

“ STEPHEN C. ROBERTS, Rector of Chester Parish.

“ C. H. WILLIAMSON, M. D., Rector of All Hallows' Parish.

“ HENRY A. SKINNER, Rector of Trinity Parish.

“ JOSEPH W. TURNER, Deacon, Principal of the Bishop's Schools.

“ LEWIS WALKER, Rector of North Sassafraz Parish.

“ * D. M. ELLWOOD, M. D., Rector of Dorchester Parish.

“ SEWELL S. HEPBRON, Rector of St. Paul's, Kent Co., and I. U. Parishes.

“ * *William A. Schubert*, Deacon.

“ ENOCH K. MILLER, Rector of North Elk, or St. Mary Anne's Parish.

“ * PHILIP D. THOMPSON, Rector of Christ Church Parish.

“ * *Pierre DuGue Trapier*.

“ RICHARD TOTTEN, Missionary in All Saints' Church.

“ *Charles E. Milnor*, Rector of Worcester Parish.

In all, the Bishop, 28 Priests, and 3 Deacons=32.

LIST OF CLERGY,

WITH POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

- 1 The Rt. Rev. HENRY C. LAY, D. D., Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
- 2 " Rev. THEODORE P. BARBER, D. D., Cambridge, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 3 " " JOHN O. BARTON, Princess Anne, Somerset Co., Md.
- 4 " " GEORGE F. BEAVEN, Hillsborough, Caroline Co., Md.
- 5 " " JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D., Cambridge, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 6 " " JOHN CROSDALE, D. D., Newtown, Worcester Co., Md.
- 7 " " ERASius F. DASHIELL, St. Michael's, Talbot Co., Md.
- 8 " " D. M. ELLWOOD, M. D., Taylor's Island, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 9 " " WM. B. EVERETT, M. D., Wye Mills, Talbot Co., Md.
- 10 " " GEORGE S. FITZHUGH, Trappe, Talbot Co., Md.
- 11 " " WILLIAM FULTON, D. D., Salisbury, Wicomico Co., Md.
- 12 " " THOS. L. GREEN, Church Hill, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 13 " " SEWELL S. HEPBRON, Fairleigh, Kent Co., Md.
- 14 " " JAS. W. HOSKINS, East Newmarket, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 15 " " JOHN MARTIN, Locust Grove, Kent Co., Md.
- 16 " " ENOCH K. MILLER, North-East, Cecil Co., Md.
- 17 " " CHARLES E. MILNOR, Berlin, Worcester Co., Md.
- 18 " " JAS. A. MITCHELL, Centreville, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 19 " " EDWARD G. PERRYMAN, Perrymansville, Harford Co., Md.
- 20 " " STEPHEN C. ROBERTS, Chestertown, Kent Co., Md.
- 21 " " WILLIAM A. SCHUBERT.
- 22 " " HENRY A. SKINNER, Elkton, Cecil Co., Md.
- 23 " " EDWARD J. STEARNS, D. D., Denton, Caroline Co., Md.
- 24 " " JOHN A. THOMPSON, Kent Island, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 25 " " PHILIP D. THOMPSON, Kent Island, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 26 " " RICHARD TOTTEN, Longwoods, Talbot Co., Md.
- 27 " " PIERRE DUGUE TRAPIER.
- 28 " " JOSEPH W. TURNER, Ripley, Miss.
- 29 " " JOSEPH N. WATTSON, Massey's, Kent Co., Md.
- 30 " " LEWIS WALKE, Cecilton, Cecil Co., Md.
- 31 " " CHAS. H. WILLIAMSON, M. D., Snow Hill, Worcester Co., Md.
- 32 " " ROBERT WILSON, M. D., Easton, Talbot Co., Md.

LIST

OF

PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS IN THE DIOCESE OF
EASTON, WITH THE CLERGY OF THE SAME;
AND OF
LAY DELEGATES TO THE EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

Lay Delegates marked with an * did not attend.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. John's Parish.	<i>Lay Delegates.</i>
St. Paul's Church, Hillsborough,	
Church of the Holy Trinity, Greensborough,	
Rev. George F. Beaven, Rector.	P. S. Reynolds, M. D.
St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish,	
Christ Church, Denton,	
Rev. Edw. J. Stearns, D. D., Rector.	Geo. M. Russum.

CECIL COUNTY.

Augustine Parish.	
St. Augustine Church.	
North Elk or St. Mary Anne's Parish.	
St. Mary Anne's Church, Northeast,	
St. Mark's Chapel, Perryville,	
Rev. Enoch K. Miller, Rector.	Henry S. Coudon.
North Sassafras Parish.	
St. Stephen's Church,	
Rev. Lewis Walke, Rector.	Wm. M. Knight.
Trinity Parish.	
Trinity Church, Elkton,	
Rev. Henry A. Skinner, Rector.	Alfred Wetherell.
St. James' Church.	
St. James' Church, Port Deposit,	
Rev. John Martin, Rector.	

DORCHESTER COUNTY.**Dorchester Parish.***Lay Delegates.*

Trinity Church, Church Creek,

Grace Church, Taylor's Island,

Rev. D. M. Ellwood, M. D., Rector.

Wm. W. Mace.

East New Market Parish.

St. Stephen's Church, East New Market,

Rev. Jas. W. Hoskins, Rector.

* Kendall M. Jacobs.

Great Choptank Parish.

Christ Church, Cambridge,

St. John's Chapel, Castle Haven Neck,

Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., Rector.

Wm. R. Hayward, M. D.

Rev. Jas. L. Bryan, M. D., Deacon,

Assistant Minister.

* D. M. Henry.

Vienna Parish.

St. Paul's Church, Vienna,

Rev. Jas. W. Hoskins, Rector.

KENT COUNTY.**Chester Parish.**

St. Paul's Church, Chestertown,

Rev. Stephen C. Roberts, Rector.

Wm. S. Walker.

I. U. Parish.

Christ Church,

Rev. Sewell S. Hepbron, Rector.

Sewell Hepbron.

North Kent Parish.

St. Clement's Church, Massey's,

Rev. Jos. N. Wattson, Rector.

St. Paul's Parish.

St. Paul's Church,

Rev. Sewell S. Hepbron, Rector.

Shrewsbury Parish.

Shrewsbury Church,

— Chapel, Galena,

D. J. Nowland.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.**Christ Church Parish.**

Christ Church, Kent Island,

Rev. Philip D. Thompson, Rector.

St. Luke's Parish.

St. Luke's Church, Church Hill,

John Brown..

St. Paul's Parish.

St. Paul's Church, Centreville,

Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell, Rector,

Rich'd T. Earle, Sr.

List of Parishes, &c.

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QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT COUNTIES.

Wye Parish.

Lay Delegates.

St. Luke's Church, Queenstown,

St. Luke's Chapel, Wye,

Rev. Wm. B. Everett, M. D., Rector. R. B. Carmichael.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Coventry Parish.

Rehoboth Church, Rehoboth,

St. Paul's Church, Annamessex,

St. Mark's Church, Kingston,

St. Stephen's Church, Fairmount,

Rev. John Crosdale, D. D.,

Minister in charge.

Somerset Parish.

All Saints' Church, Monie,

St. Andrew's Church, Princess Anne,

Rev. John O. Barton, Rector.

• Wm. J. Brittingham.

Wicomico Parish.

Grace Church.

SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

Pocomoke Parish.

St. Mary's Church, Newtown,

Rev. John Crosdale, D. D., Rector.

S. S. McMaster.

TALBOT COUNTY.

St. Michael's Parish.

St. Michael's Church, St. Michael's,

St. John's Church, Miles River Ferry,

St. Paul's Chapel, Royal Oak,

Rev. Erastus F. Dashiell, Rector.

Geo. R. Goldsborough.

All Saints' Parish, (Provisional.)

All Saints' Church, Longwoods,

Rev. Richard Totten,

Minister in charge.

St. Peter's Parish.

Christ Church, Easton,

Chapel of the Holy Cross, Easton Point,

Rev. Robt. Wilson, M. D., Rector.

I. L. Adkins, M. D.

Church of the Holy Trinity, Oxford.

Whitemarsh Parish.

St. Peter's Church, Whitemarsh.

St. Paul's Church, Trappe.

Rev. Geo. S. Fitzhugh, Rector.

John W. Martin.

WICOMICO COUNTY.

St. Matthew's Parish.

Lay Delegates.

St. Matthew's Church.

Spring Hill Parish.

St. Peter's Church,

St. Peter's Chapel, Salisbury,

St. Philip's Chapel, Quantico,

Rev. William Fulton, D. D., Rector. J. A. Parsons.

Stepney Parish.

Stepney Church, Green Hill.

St. Mary's Chapel, Tyaskin.

WORCESTER COUNTY.

All Hallows' Parish.

All Hallows' Church, Snow Hill.

St. John's Church, Traptown,

Chapel of the Holy Cross, Sandy Hill,

Rev. C. H. Williamson, M. D., Rector. * Sam'l H. Townsend.

Worcester Parish.

St. Paul's Church, Berlin,

St. Martin's Church, St. Martin,

Rev. Charles E. Milnor, Rector.

John S. Purnell.

In all, 33 Incorporated Parishes and Congregations (represented at the Eighth Annual Convention by 18 Lay Delegates), and 53 Churches and Chapels.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES OF THE EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

OFFICERS :

The Right Rev. HENRY CHAMPLIN LAY, D. D., LL. D.,
President.

The Rev. JAS. L. BRYAN, M. D.,
Secretary, Cambridge, Md.

WM. S. WALKER, ESQ.,
Assistant Secretary, Chestertown, Md.

THOMAS HUGHLETT, ESQ.,
Treasurer of the Convention, Easton, Md.

I. L. ADKINS, M. D.,
Treasurer Diocesan Missions Fund, Easton.

E. L. F. HARDCASTLE,
Treasurer Clergy Relief Fund, Easton, Md.

The Rev. THEO. P. BARBER, D.D.,
Registrar of the Diocese, Cambridge, Md.

Standing Committee :

the Rev. John Crosdale, D.D., (President), Newtown ; the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., (Secretary), Cambridge ; the Rev. John O. Barton, the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, the Rev. Robert Wilson, M. D.

Ecclesiastical Court :

the Rev. Joseph N. Wattson, the Rev. James A. Mitchell, the Rev. S. C. Roberts.

Trustees of the Episcopal Fund :

Messrs. Richard B. Carmichael, I. L. Adkins, M. D., H. H. Dashiell, Geo. R. Goldsborough, E. L. F. Hardcastle, Wm. S. Walker, Charles Lowndes.

Board of Diocesan Missions :

the Bishop of the Diocese (President), the Rev. Lewis Walke, the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. John Crosdale, D. D., Messrs. I. L. Adkins, M. D., (Treasurer), Jos. E. M. Chamberlaine, M. D.

Trustees of the General Theological Seminary :

the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, the Rev. Jos. N. Wattson, the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., the Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell.

The Board of Examiners in Theology:

the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., the Rev. E. F. Dashiell.

Trustees of the Clergy Relief Fund:

the Bishop (President *ex-officio*), the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, the Rev. Robert Wilson, M. D., and Messrs. E. L. F. Hardcastle and John C. Earle, M. D.

R U L E S O F O R D E R .

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.
2. This Convention shall sit for the dispatch of business, beginning with Divine service, at such hours as each Convention may determine.
3. At the opening of the session, the Convention shall be called to order by the Bishop ; or, if there be no Bishop, or he be absent, by the President of the Standing Committee, or by some member of that body appointed by those of its members who may be present.
4. The names of the Clergymen, from a list furnished by the Bishop, and if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee, shall then be called over by the Secretary of the last Convention, or, in his absence, by some person appointed by the Bishop or other person who called the Convention to order. The Lay Delegates shall then lay their Certificates upon the table, and subscribe the Declaration required by the Constitution. If a quorum of both orders appear, the Bishop, if present, shall announce the fact, and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.
5. In case of the absence of the Bishop, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the person who called the Convention to order shall announce that there is a quorum present. The Convention shall then proceed to elect a President, according to the seventh article of the Constitution ; who shall, so soon as his election is completed, take the chair and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.
6. The first business after that declaration is made, either by the Bishop or the President, shall be the election of a Secretary. The Chair may then appoint an Assistant Secretary and the Committees mentioned in the next Rule.
7. The following Committees shall be appointed by the Chair : One on Rights of Clergymen to Seats in this Convention, consisting of three clergymen ; one on Elections, to consist of three Laymen, to whom the testimonials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred ; one on Accounts, to consist of three Laymen ; one on Parochial Contributions and Assessments, to consist of one Clergyman and four Laymen ; one on the Admission of New Parishes and Congregations into union with this Convention, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman ; one on the Episcopal Fund, to consist of two Laymen and one Clergyman ; and one on Canons and other business, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman. The Chair shall also appoint all other Committees for the appointment of which no other provision is made, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.
8. Every member shall take his seat when the President takes the chair, and remain uncovered until he shall have left the Convention.
9. Every member who shall speak in any debate, shall stand up in his place and respectfully address himself to the President.
10. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the President shall decide who shall speak first.

11. No member shall speak more than twice in any debate without leave. If any member shall rise to speak more than twice on the same question, without leave, the President shall call him to order. No member shall be interrupted while he is speaking in order.

12. Any member who is speaking shall take his seat when called to order by the President or any other member.

13. No member shall speak to another so as to interrupt any member who may be speaking in debate.

14. No motion shall be debated until the same shall be seconded, and, if desired by any member, reduced to writing and read by the Secretary.

15. When a motion is made and seconded, the matter of the motion shall receive a determination by the question, before any motion not privileged shall be received.

16. Privileged motions, in their order of precedence, shall be to adjourn, to postpone indefinitely, to lay on the table, to amend, and to offer a substitute: the question on the first three to be taken without debate.

17. If a question contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

18. All questions of Order shall be decided by the President; but there shall be a right of appeal to the Convention.

19. A question, being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not be again drawn into debate during the session, except with the consent of two-thirds of the Convention.

20. No question shall be taken on any Report, unless upon a motion to print or re-commit it; but Reports shall, as of course, lie upon the table. If a Committee deem any action of the Convention desirable, it shall be their duty to present in writing such Resolutions, Acts, or Canons as they may think it should adopt; which only shall be subject to the action of the Convention. Every act which divides a Parish, or in any way affects Parish Boundaries, shall distinctly set out the new Boundaries which it is intended to establish. The Convention will not act upon any proposed Resolution, Act, or Canon, which is not conformed to the provisions of this rule.

21. All Elections shall be by ballot, unless otherwise ordered; the votes of the Clergy and Laity shall be received and counted separately; but the vote shall be regarded as a joint one; and the election shall be decided by a majority of the whole number of votes taken together, unless a vote by Orders shall have been required, agreeably to the fifth article of the Constitution.

22. It shall be the order of the day at 12 M. on the second day of the session of the Convention, to elect the Standing Committee, and the other officers whom it is the duty of the Convention to appoint.

23. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions, until altered or rescinded; and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

THE EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION *of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Easton*, assembled in the Town Hall, Easton, on Wednesday, the seventh day of June, 1876, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. Turner, Wilson, Totten, Hepbron and the Bishop of the Diocese.

The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. William Fulton, D. D., from II Cor. iii, 6.

The Holy Communion had been celebrated at an earlier hour, in the Chapel of the Parish, by the Bishop, assisted by the members of the Standing Committee.

Divine Service concluded, the Right Rev. the President called the Convention to order. The Rev. Jas. L. Bryan, Secretary of the last Convention, proceeded to call the Roll of Clergy entitled to seats, from a list furnished by the Bishop, when the following answered to their names :

The Rt. Rev. the Bishop,	
The Rev. Dr. Barber,	
“ “ Mr. Barton,	
“ “ “ Beaven,	
“ “ “ Bryan,	
“ “ Dr. Crosdale,	
“ “ Mr. Dashiell,	
“ “ “ Everett,	
“ “ “ Fitzhugh,	
“ “ Dr. Fulton,	
“ “ Mr. Hepbron,	

The Rev. Mr. Hoskins,	
“ “ “ Miller,	
“ “ “ Mitchell,	
“ “ “ Roberts,	
“ “ “ Skinner,	
“ “ Dr. Stearns,	
“ “ Mr. Totten,	
“ “ “ Turner,	
“ “ “ Walke,	
“ “ “ Williamson,	
“ “ “ Wilson.	

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The Rev. Mr. Milnor was also present, although not entitled to a seat.

The certificates of Lay Delegates, being laid upon the Secretary's desk, the list of such Delegates was read, when the following were found to be present, viz :

Mr. Adkins,	Mr. Martin,
" Brown,	" McMaster,
" Carmichael,	" Purnell,
" Earle,	" Parsons,
" Goldsborough,	" Russum,
" Hayward,	" Walker,
" Hepbron,	" Wetherell.
" Mace,	=15

A quorum of both orders being present, the President announced that the Convention was duly organized, and that the first business in order was the election of a Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. Stearns nominated the Rev. Jas. L. Bryan, and there being no other nomination, an election by ballot was dispensed with, and the Rev. Mr. Bryan was re-elected.

The President appointed Mr. William S. Walker, Assistant Secretary.

The President announced the following Committees :

On Rights of Clergymen to Seats.—The Rev. Messrs. Roberts, Williamson and Hepbron.

On Elections.—Messrs. Carmichael, Brown and Purnell.

At the invitation of the Rev. Dr. Barber, it was

resolved, That Clergymen and Officers of this Diocese, not entitled to sitting Clergy of other Dioceses, who may be present, and the Vestry of the West Parish, be invited to attend upon the sessions of this Convention.

The President announced the following Committees :

On Finance.—Messrs. Russum, Parsons and Wetherell.

On Contributions and Assessments.—The Rev. Mr. William Knight, Coudon, Hayward and McMaster.

On the Minutes.—The Rev. Dr. Stearns, Messrs. Hepbron and Brown.

On the Minutes.—The Rev. Drs. Barber and Crosdale and Mr. Purnell.

On the Minutes.—The Rev. Mr. Wilson, the Rev. Mr. Skinner, Messrs. Martin and Purnell.

On Admission of New Parishes.—The Rev. Mr. Mitchell, Messrs. Goldsborough and Walker.

The Rev. Dr. Stearns called attention to a report of the Committee on Canons, as found on page 47 of the Journal for 1875, recommending the adoption of a Canon, "Of Differences between Ministers and Congregations," on which no action was taken by the Convention, as reported, and moved the reference of said Canon to the Committee on Canons, and it was so ordered.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to inquire into the expediency of repealing Canon V and Canon IX.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barber, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to consider the expediency of amending Article II of the Constitution, by adding thereto the clause: "But the Bishop of the Diocese, if urgent occasion arise, shall have power to change the place and time of meeting."

It was ordered by the Convention, that it will meet again this evening at 7½ o'clock, and at 9 A. M. to-morrow. Morning Prayer to be said at 11 A. M.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Dashiell, the Convention then adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

Evening Prayer being said, by the Rev. Messrs. Roberts and Fitzhugh, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

The Rev. Mr. Wattson, and Messrs. Coudon, Knight, Nowland and Reynolds were present, in addition to those who attended the morning session.

The Rev. Mr. Roberts, from the Committee on Rights of Clergymen to Seats, reported the following list of Clergymen entitled to seats, viz: The Rt. Rev. Henry C. Lay, D. D., the Revs. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., John O. Barton, George F. Beaven, James L. Bryan, John Crosdale, D. D., Erastus F. Dashiell, David M. Ellwood, Wm. B. Everett, Geo. S. Fitzhugh, Wm. Fulton, D. D.,

Sewell S. Hepbron, James W. Hoskins, John Martin, Enoch K. Miller, Jas. A. Mitchell, Stephen C. Roberts, Henry A. Skinner, Edward J. Stearns, D. D., Philip D. Thompson, Richard Totten, Jos. W. Turner, Jos. N. Wattson, Lewis Walke, Charles H. Williamson, Robert Wilson.

Mr. Carmichael, from the Committee on Elections, reported the following Lay Delegates as entitled to seats, viz: Messrs. I. L. Adkins, Wm. J. Brittingham, John Brown, Richard B. Carmichael, Henry S. Coudon, Richard T. Earle, Sr., Geo. R. Goldsborough, Wm. R. Hayward, Daniel M. Henry Sewell Hepbron, Kendall M. Jacobs, Wm. M. Knight, Wm. W. Mace, John W. Martin, S. S. McMaster, D. J. Nowland, John S. Purnell, J. A. Parsons, P. S. Reynolds, Geo. M. Russum, Samuel H. Townsend, William S. Walker, Alfred Wetherell.

The Bishop then read his Address, as follows:

ADDRESS OF THE BISHOP.

We are assembled to-day, Reverend brethren and brethren beloved in the Lord, in an unusual place. We cannot regret that the Parish Church is not available to us, remembering the reason which closes its doors for the time. We are glad to see that the Parishioners have undertaken an enlargement which will beautify and dignify the house of God. Some people think that a commodious chancel is a waste of room. But it is not so. That is not waste which affords facilities for the more reverential performance of Divine Service and administration of Holy Sacraments. The apse of the old church at Church Creek or Church Hill, and the square chancel at Wye, illustrate to us how much of greatness may be imparted to a very plain building by giving due proportion to that part of it which is specially assigned to the solemnities of sacred rites.

It is good to know that the new chancel of Christ Church will be a beautiful memorial, the undying esteem and affection of the people to the Rev. Dr. Mason, that able and faithful servant of God who, being dead, yet speaketh, by his marked impress upon the conscience of the Parish. That is indeed a pious work which will add much to the reputation.

I trust that we are about to enter upon an enlarged work in this town of Easton for the glory of God and for the good of souls. Timid ~~connections~~ have been laid aside. Liberal and loving gifts have been promised. Unless I greatly mistake, the churchmen of Easton desire to forget the things behind and to press on to greater things. I hope and believe the day is not far distant when it shall be proven by results that Easton was rightly chosen as the See town, the heart and fortress of the Diocese.

In this connection, let me remind you that provision needs to be made for changing the time and place of our annual meeting in the event of the prevalence of an epidemic, or for other urgent cause.

The past year has not been an eventful one, and yet it has been to me specially a year of care and anxiety. So many deficiencies cry out for supply, and so many distresses go unrelieved. In the households of the Clergy there have been sickness and trouble. I see some of the Clergy less able than they used to be to endure the fatigues of steady work, sorely needing some consideration for their infirmities and some provision for declining age.

It seems strange that our Church, almost alone among religious bodies, makes no provision for Clergy relief. There is nothing that we have undertaken in this Diocese more deserving than the inauguration of the Fund which is designed to meet this need. A few hundred dollars have been accumulated by means of the Whitsunday collection. Let us not despise this little one; with care and prudence it may be augmented, in due time, to a respectable amount. The Clergy should be at pains on each Whitsunday to explain the object. Christian people, in making their wills, may well remember those who have a double claim upon them as God's poor and as God's ministers. How blessed a day it will be for the Diocese of Easton, when her Clergy shall be assured of some moderate provision in their hour of need!

Nor are these all the troubles that come to my ear. Now I find some man of God at a loss how to live and what to count upon, the regular payment of his salary seeming to be no one's concern. In more than one instance I have seen an industrious clergyman wearing out his strength and his spirits on the road, trying to make his rounds with a horse worn-out or worthless. A careless and inefficient Clergyman must take his chances. I

know right well that some men cannot be taken care of, because they are not self-helpful. But the elders that rule well, that labor in the word and doctrine, are worthy of double honor. If at this Pentecostal season we could win by prayer a double portion of the Spirit from on high, I believe the readiest and truest manifestation of His presence would be found in the enhanced consideration and sympathy of the saints for those servants, of whom Christ has said, Whoso receiveth you receiveth me.

An unusual pressure of engagements, and the pre-occupation of mind consequent upon certain duties which have lately accumulated, have hindered me from making the preparation necessary to address you, as I have often done, upon some topic of general interest. I have written so much and preached so much, that this may be a relief. At any rate, I may be indulged in confining myself on this occasion to matters of Diocesan interest.

CONFIRMATIONS.

Confirmations have been held in twenty-one Parishes, as follows :

St. John's, Caroline County,	6
St. Mary's, Whitechapel,	1
Augustine,	2
North Elk,	15
North Sassafras	12
Trinity, Cecil County,	6
St. James', Cecil County	8
East New Market,	4
Great Choptank,	15
North Kent,	3
St. Luke's, Queen Anne's County,	9
St. Paul's, " " "	14
Wye,	8
Pocomoke,	11
St. Michael's,	8
All Saints',	3
St. Peter's,	13
Whitemarsh,	17
Spring Hill,	7
All Hallows,	16
Worcester,	9

Being in all one hundred and eighty-seven.

It has afforded me much pleasure on four of these occasions to confirm colored people. I note, also, whenever I officiate at St. Michael's, that the gallery is filled with such, as also when I have officiated at Wye and other places.

My heart is greatly set upon making special efforts to reach this class of our population, by services especially arranged for them. Our chief difficulty is in this, that every clergyman has his Sunday so fully occupied by the established parochial ministrations that it is difficult to add another service.

Let us be careful to provide sittings for them in every church. Let us baptize their children in the congregation, and give them every encouragement to come with us to the Holy Communion. Let us give them every assurance, that while social distinctions are ordained of Providence and may not be abrogated, we acknowledge them to the full as brethren beloved in the Lord.

DIOCESAN OFFICERS.

I have confirmed the nominations made to me by the several Convocations, as follows: Rev. John Crosdale, D. D., Dean of the Southern Convocation; Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., Dean of the Middle Convocation; and the Rev. Lewis Walke, Dean of the Northern Convocation.

I re-appoint as Examining Chaplains the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., and the Rev. E. F. Dashiell.

THE HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN.

Your attention is invited to the report from the Managers of this excellent institution. Its work is done prudently and inexpensively. It does not make large demands upon the diocese, and can continue to be sustained if each parish will yearly make to it a moderate contribution. Of late its treasury has been at times nearly empty.

THE MISSIONARY WORK OF THE DIOCESE.

It will appear from the report of the Diocesan Board, that we have had eight missionaries in our employment during the last year. The hope of growth and development in our work lies in the maintenance of these missionary arrangements. I am glad to believe that the clergy and the people recognize the importance

of them ; and I trust they will prove even more useful in the future than in the past.

CANONICAL NOTICES.

I have given my official consent to the consecration of the Rt. Rev. W. E. McLaren, D. D., Bishop of Illinois, and of the Rt. Rev. J. H. Hobart Brown, D. D., Bishop of Fond du Lac.

I have received notices of deposition from the ministry, as follows : P. F. Stevens, by the Bishop of South Carolina ; George A. Coggeshall, by the Bishop of Rhode Island ; George A. Reddles and A. M. Morrison, by the Bishop of Pennsylvania ; Thompson L. Smith and John K. Drum, by the Bishop of Kansas ; John B. Sayre, by the Bishop of Indiana ; and of the following by the Bishop of New York, viz. : William V. Feltwell, William T. Sabine, Benjamin B. Leacock, William W. Sever, Charles A. Foster, J. Eastburn Brown and William M. Postlethwaite.

CLERGY LIST.

I have given to the Rev. Samuel D. Hall, Letters Dimissory to the Diocese of Maryland.

I have accepted from the Bishop of Pennsylvania, Letters Dimissory in favor of the Rev. Charles E. Milnor.

The changes within the Diocese are few in number. The Rev. C. E. Milnor has become Rector of Worcester Parish. The Rev. W. A. Schubert has withdrawn from his missionary engagement in St. Luke's, Queen Anne's, and is now unemployed.

THE NATIONAL CENTENNIAL.

The Fourth of July next is to be observed as a national holiday in commemoration of the completion of the first century of our national existence. On such a day a religious service is eminently suitable. I hereby authorize, for use on this extraordinary occasion, the Form of Service put forth by the agreement of the Presiding Bishop and others, or such portions of it as each clergyman may find convenient. This license does not include the specific "Office or Service of Te Deum," for the reason that I think it unnecessary to make mention of the wars and fightings of the days gone by. There is little satisfaction in the memories of ancient strifes. In the Church, at least, we may be content to

revive no sad memories of the sad days when brethren, speaking the same language, had need to slaughter each other.

The material improvement, the rare inventions, the progress of intellectual culture on this Continent, is indeed something without a parallel in the history of the world. Thanks and adoration are due to Him who has given us all this wealth.

Some of us, indeed, cannot withhold the expression of our doubts and fears. We doubt whether the experiment of a hundred years has proved our American government to be the truest friend of that higher civilization —

“*Quod emollit mores nec sinit esse feros.*”

We fear lest in the pride of being a big nation, we may fall far short of being a great people. We are far from being satisfied with the national reputation in point of integrity; we blush to know that investigation and impeachment so largely occupy the public mind.

If we cannot join with some in their eulogies of what we are and what we have accomplished, we can all heartily unite in the prayer of the service just referred to:

“O God, who hast taught us that sin is a reproach to any people, make us to abhor our sins lest they cry unto thee for judgment, and to do righteousness, which only exalteth a nation. Grant unto our children, and unto their children, throughout all generations, the perpetual inheritance of thy Church and true religion, that iniquity may not be our ruin.”

THE BISHOP'S CHURCH.

I have laid before the Convention from time to time, my views upon the importance of giving to the Bishop of the Diocese a permanent seat and a special spiritual charge. Without elaborating at much length the discussion of the general subject, I may here renew the expression of my convictions heretofore expressed.

The Diocese needs such a church. It at once symbolizes and promotes an organic unity. A Diocese must not be merely the sum-total of the Parishes which it comprises. It should be a living organism, of which the Parishes are coherent members. It should possess a creative and governing power; its head and its heart should have some definite abode. The Bishop's church is needed as the hearthstone of the family, the rallying-point of its affections, the centre of its diffusive energies.

Such a church is necessary for the Bishop personally. The more he can take his part in the routine duties of the ministry, the more he will keep in sympathy with the working clergy, and the better it will be for his own soul's health. St. John called himself the Deacon of the Lord Jesus, and St. Paul exhorted the Elders as being himself an Elder. The episcopal office embraces all the orders and all the duties of the sacred ministry, and the Bishop has a right to claim his proper field, in which he may not only oversee, but labor as well. Moreover, if the Bishop is a thinking man and observant, if he has had experience, and been conversant with men of energy and zeal, he should have opportunity to develop and to illustrate the methods and plans which he deems suited to the circumstances. Every man has his own sphere of personal influence, which he cannot make over to any other person, and should have it in his power to make use of such influence for definite and practical ends.

I have satisfied myself, during the past year, that there is room in Easton for a new church, and material for a new congregation.

The Rector and Vestry of the Parish Church have heretofore been freely consulted, and have given me, formally and informally, the assurance of their consent and good-will. In turn, I have assured them of my earnest desire so to conduct my undertaking as to strengthen their hands.

It has seemed to me that I must do something in this matter. We have been talking about it these years, and the time has come for action.

In that part of the town of Easton known as "Caldwell's Addition," there is no house of worship. It is here that a new church may best be established. By the kindness of the Rector of St. Peter's Parish, I made an address in Christ Church on the twentieth of April, upon the general subject. I had previously suggested my purpose at the Convocation in Easton, and had the gift of a lot worth \$200. To this were now added other pledges of help. I have since exchanged this lot (the covenant awaiting only the acceptance by this Convention of the new congregation) for a whole square of ground, containing more than an acre, for which I am to pay \$1000 of difference.

A suitable ground seems to me the first requisite. This square is located just where we want it, on Railroad Avenue, and im-

mediately in front of a like square, owned and occupied by our Home for Friendless Children. It is such ground as will suffice not only for present uses, but for future needs.

I then appointed a service in the waiting-room of the Railroad Depot, and personally solicited the attendance of those who reside in that vicinity.

In the result, more than thirty persons, being men over twenty-one years of age, signed the articles of association, which will be laid before you, and united in an application, which will be duly presented. for permission to organize as an independent congregation, and to be received into union with this Convention.

These signers are of various ages, some mature men, others young men. They are merchants, mechanics, lawyers, clerks, laborers and railroad employees. Not more than one or two have been confirmed, or indeed are identified with any religious body. But they are not men of straw. They are *bona fide* corporators thus far, that they desire to see a church established, and do propose to attend its services and to contribute to its maintenance. I am gratified at being brought into personal relations with so many who have no distinct religious belongings. There are not a few others as accessible as these to the voice of Christian invitation, and they are such as specially claim the sympathy of the chief officer of the Diocese. It is from just such a beginning that many a large congregation has grown up; and while I realize that the work before me is one requiring time and patience, I dare not doubt that He who came to seek and to save that which is lost, will bless us if we prosecute it in self-distrust and in humble reliance on His grace.

Domestic circumstances require me to remain in Easton at present, and the organization of this congregation will be my own work for the summer. I do not propose to allow it to interfere with the work of the Parishes, and hope, with some aid from the Diocesan Missionary Fund, to secure the aid of a Chaplain competent to guide the little flock aright.

So soon as the new congregation shall have been recognized by you, I hope to conclude the purchase of the ground. Plans are already in preparation for a Chapel, estimated to cost \$3000. Already, without any solicitation whatever, more than \$1000 has been tendered me, and it is not unreasonable to hope that the means will be provided to build the Chapel within three or four

months. In the meantime, services will be held regularly in such temporary room as may seem convenient.

It is proposed, more than this, to build a church, worthy to be the Mother Church of the Diocese. From the very first I shall endeavor to collect such a fund, in such wise as may not make too large a demand upon the Diocese. To build such a church, and leave it to those who come after me, will be an arduous work, to which I cheerfully devote myself for the remainder of my life, however great the difficulties may be. I am confident that by regular contributions, by prudent management and accumulation, it may and will be accomplished. Many years may be requisite : no matter, so it be well and safely done. Only I would desire to live long enough to see it consecrated to its sacred use.

I now proceed to call your attention to the several features of the scheme, as embodied in the articles drawn up for the purposes of incorporation.

The name selected is "Trinity Cathedral, Easton." The term Cathedral is used because it expresses the thing definitely and perspicuously. A cathedral does not necessarily imply gothic arches, rich endowment, elaborate ornament or artistic music. These are accessories accumulated in days gone by around a sacred shrine by the piety of the faithful ; but these are no more than accessories. Cathedral, as its very etymology implies, is in its true meaning, the church where the Bishop has his seat and whence he speaks to all the flock. It conveys no suggestion of high or unusual ritual. One Bishop after another, of the most prominent in the Church, has found it an essential for the right administration of his Diocese, so that in Albany, Central Pennsylvania, Illinois, Indiana, Maine, Minnesota, Nebraska, Tennessee and Wisconsin, the cathedral is established with universal approval.

Accordingly the Cathedral is the church of the whole Diocese, its management is placed substantially in the hands of the Convention. The Bishop is *ex-officio* the spiritual head and also a Trustee. Six Trustees are to be chosen by the Convention upon the nomination of the Bishop. A number of them may properly be taken from the congregation. As the text, I would desire to choose at large in the Convention the most judicious and helpful advisers.

These articles do not present any elaborate Cathedral scheme. It seems unwise to invent an extended plan for the uncertain future. We have been content to provide that the Convention may by canon, from time to time, with the consent of the Bishop, establish such statutes and create such offices as may be found expedient. Thus we do not encumber ourselves with artificial rules, while it will be at any time in our power to engraft any feature which shall be recommended by the lessons of experience.

I have printed an appeal, which will be circulated at home and abroad. Perhaps one of the clergy will come to my aid and solicit subscriptions to the Cathedral Fund. I do not doubt that the clergy as a body will interest themselves in this behalf. Some who cannot contribute very much at once, may be willing to give an annual pledge running through five years. Under like circumstances, each brick has been rudely estimated at ten cents, and the children have been forward thus to lay, each one, a brick upon the foundation. I would be glad to open an account for the children's bricks.

I trust you will not deem me unreasonably importunate. Forgive me if I obtrude some of my own personal thoughts. My priesthood was all spent in one Parish : my efforts all concentrated on a definite work. Beginning with services in a court house, I saw a large congregation and a noble church grow up year by year, and my thought of that beautiful Church of the Nativity in Alabama, is as a mother's memory of her first-born, now grown up and dwelling far away.

Then came the untried work of a Missionary Episcopate. Personal labor was not spared ; for long months at a time I was a stranger to my home. But so soon as some harvest was ready to be gathered, came long years of a civil war, so destructive that at its close not even one church was supplied with ministrations in all my jurisdiction.

But the clergy all sought to return ; and when the work was beginning to be renewed, your summons came to assume the oversight of a new Diocese. Did I well to accept it ? I do not think that I came from any discontent or weariness of a western field. I thought honestly, and so thought my friends there and my friends in the House of Bishops, that I was breaking down under the exhaustion of exposure and physical fatigue, and that I could better serve the Church where the work was none the less, but of a character better suited to me.

And thus I came to you. The lines have fallen to me in pleasant places, and I have had the comforts of a united Diocese, of an affectionate band of clergy and a considerate laity. But you know that I found a Church which had in long years lost its prestige, and witnessed the departure of its children into other folds almost without remonstrance. I found not a few who seemed reconciled to the Church's abnegation of her just influence, and exceedingly indisposed to the surrender of early associations and traditions in order to clothe the skeleton parish with living flesh and blood.

I came just when your prosperity was on the wane, and the lands falling to half their former value. I have done what I could. I have sought to be the preacher of the Diocese, and to extend Episcopal help and sympathy beyond the limits of mere official requirement. But I may not thus fill out the measure of my responsibility. It is mine to develop something new, as well as to strengthen the old. We need fresh thoughts, the invigoration of new measures, the inauguration of central forces, as well as the use of scattered efforts. And now that the seventeenth year of an Episcopate of varied experiences and of many aborted efforts, is almost filled out, I ask your aid and co-operation in doing one real work, in building up one substantial enterprise which more than anything else will impart stability to the Diocese.

Believe me this is no new notion and no hasty thought. The American Church has never had a Bishop of more practical wisdom than Nicholas Hamner Cobbs, nor one more abundant in personal labors. I can never forget his earnest charge, given to me while I was yet one of his Presbyters. He told me in substance :

"You will one day be in the House of Bishops. Remember what I tell you. I have done my work all wrong. I could not help it. But if I thought I had ten years more to live, I would even now begin anew. A body must have a heart whence the blood can be sent to the extremities. A Bishop's first work should be to build up a strong place in the centre of the Diocese, and to gather around him helpers and apparatus wherewith to work for the whole Diocese."

His words carried conviction then, and every year's experience has assured me that he was right.

One word more I may speak, as of interest to every clergyman and every layman here. Brethren, I am awed and solemnized more than I can tell, by the revelation of the last few weeks touching the spiritual condition of my own neighbors. I thought I knew something of it, but little did I know until I made personal inquiry. I have been asking one man and another where he attends service, if at all. I have inquired of men in town and in the adjoining country, about the religious belongings of this or that neighbor.

I learn that not a few attend worship nowhere. I preached in the depot to men who had not heard a sermon in years. Many attend service rarely and on great occasions only, when they are lost in a crowd. Churches there are, and opportunities for all who are anxious to be saved. But all around me are men who are not anxious to be saved, who have not cared for their souls, and who, it seems, will never care for them until some one leaves his folded ninety-and-nine and goes after them, and ceases not in care and diligence until he has persuaded them to join the flock.

If these people are to be saved, some one must seek them man by man, and assert the power of Christian sympathy. There must be the yearning of the soul that is saved over the soul that is lost.

Is it not the same in every neighbourhood? Are there not erring men all about us who will never come back unless we compel them, by the irresistible demonstration of love to come in?

Shall we, for fear that men will count us proselyters, or that something will occur to hurt our feelings, give these dying people the go-bye year after year? Shall we stand on ceremony when the question is of life and death? Oh, for moral courage! oh, for consuming zeal, to carry our message, not to worshipping people only, but to the lost, the *lost*, the LOST!

Let me not be misunderstood as to my estimate of the work just undertaken in Easton. It has a local popularity. Every man I talk to has a kind word and a good wish. I do not forget how evanescent is popularity, and how small a pebble turns aside its current. I do not forget that the novelty of this scheme is calculated to attract the unstable, and that the Episcopal office of itself (thank God that so it is!) lends some attraction to any scheme in intimate connection with it. These things I know. It

will need work and prayer and patience to develop Christian life and character in the hearts of those who frankly own that they go with me chiefly because we are the first on the ground and most convenient to their homes. I make no large calculations. Next year I may have little of success to report to you. But I see written in largest letters on the front of this undertaking, "OPPORTUNITY." A great door and effectual is open unto me, and there are many adversaries. Strange would it be if, when the great adversary sees a door opened and men gathering with some awakened interest at its threshold, strange were it indeed if he did not urge impracticability and propose delay, and inflame some prejudice and interpose some obstacle, and seek to persuade us that God's providence forbids us to go farther. But poor creatures are we, if the anticipation or the presence of adversity causes us to fall back in trepidation and to shut the door of the kingdom of heaven.

BISHOP STONE'S GRAVE.

At a late visit to Salisbury, I learned that the Rector and Vestry of Spring Hill Parish had noted with concern the condition of Bishop Stone's grave.

The Bishop and his wife were buried in the family burying-ground, upon the farm owned by him, about three miles from Salisbury. The farm has passed out of the possession of the family, and the graveyard is exposed, without any fence, in a cultivated field.

The Rector and Vestry suggested that it was desirable to remove these remains, if possible. They offered, if such removal could be effected, a carefully selected lot in the Parsons Cemetery, suitable in every way for the resting-place of one who for a long period was Rector of the Parish, and who afterwards presided over the Diocese of Maryland. In event of removal, the husband and wife were not to be separated.

Dr. Fulton conveyed me to the graves that we might see for ourselves. We found the graveyard thickly grown up with trees, and entirely exposed. No graves are visible, but the tombstones placed to mark the graves in question are uninjured. Out of the Bishop's grave has grown a cherry-tree some fifteen or eighteen inches in diameter.

I am at a loss what to advise. The Bishop died thirty-eight

years ago, and Mrs. Stone has lain beneath the sod more than fifty years. Those who know best the conditions of burial in that region, think that the remains can be collected and removed. It may be well for the Convention to express its wishes. It would be a fitting tribute from the members of both Dioceses in Maryland, to unite in placing over these remains, after removal, some proper monument.

I trust, my brethren, that you who are here assembled may take sweet counsel together, so that brotherly love may be augmented ; that your deliberations may be over-ruled by the Blessed Spirit, ~~who~~ only giveth to man a right judgment in all things, and that we may all return to our homes determined to do the work of God with all our might.

The Rev. Mr. Dashiell presented the application of certain persons, asking leave to organize a new congregation, within the limits of St. Peter's Parish, under the name of Trinity Cathedral, Easton ; and on his motion, it was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes.

The Rev. Dr. Stearns, on the part of the Managers of the Home for Friendless Children, extended an invitation to the Convention, to visit that Institution at 5 P. M., to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Walker, the invitation was accepted.

Mr. Carmichael, from the Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, presented their annual report, together with the report of the Treasurer of the Board. (Appendix.)

On motion of Rev. Mr. Dashiell, the reports were referred to the Committee on the Episcopal Fund.

The report of Mr. Thomas Hughlett, Treasurer of the Convention, was presented ; and on motion, referred to the Committee on Accounts. (Appendix.)

The Rev. Dr. Barber, from the Committee on Canons, submitted the following resolutions :

Resolved, That it be, and is hereby, proposed, that Article II of the Constitution be amended by adding thereto the following words : "But in the

event of epidemic disease, or for other serious cause, the Bishop, or, in a vacancy of the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee, shall have power to change the time and place of meeting."

Resolved, That such amendment be notified to the several Vestries of the Diocese, in accordance with Article XII of the Constitution, so that the same may be agreed to and ratified in the next Convention.

Which resolutions were adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Barber, from the Committee on Canons, submitted the following resolutions :

Resolved, That Canon V be, and is hereby, repealed.

Resolved, That Canon IX be, and is hereby, repealed.

Which resolutions were adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Barber, from the Committee on Canons, submitted the following resolution :

Resolved; That the following Canon, (which was adopted at the last Convention, but failed to be so entered on the Journal,) be, and is hereby, adopted as a Canon of this Diocese, viz :

CANON

OF DIFFERENCES BETWEEN MINISTERS AND CONGREGATIONS.

In the case of a controversy between any Rector or Assistant Minister of any Church or Parish, and the Vestry or Congregation of such Church or Parish, which cannot be settled by themselves, the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese shall be the arbiter.

This Canon shall take the place of the first four Sections of Canon 4, title II., of the Digest.

Which resolution was adopted.

The Rev. Mr. Wilson presented the report of the Board of Managers of the Home for Friendless Children. (Appendix.)

On motion of the Secretary, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to present, at the next Annual Convention, a corrected copy of the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Dashiell, the Convention adjourned.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY MORNING, *June 8, 1876.*

In the absence of the Rt. Rev. the Bishop, the Rev. Dr. Fulton, by order of the Bishop, took the chair. After prayers were said by the Chairman, the Convention was called to order.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

On motion of the Secretary, the Convention took a recess until after Divine Service.

Morning Prayer being said by the Rev. Messrs. Williamson and Beaven, and the Bishop of the Diocese, the Rt. Rev. the President called the Convention to order.

The Rev. Dr. Barber, from the Board of Diocesan Missions, submitted their report. (Appendix.)

The Rev. Mr. Dashiell, from the Committee on the Clergy Relief Fund, submitted their report. (Appendix.)

The Rev. Mr. Mitchell, from the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, submitted the following report :

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes beg leave to report, that they have duly considered the petition referred to them by the Convention, and respectfully recommend the passage of the following Preamble and Resolution :

WHEREAS, A petition has been presented to this Convention by certain citizens of Talbot County, residing within the bounds of St. Peter's Parish, asking leave to organize an independent congregation, under the name and style of Trinity Cathedral, Easton, therefore,

Resolved, That leave be granted said petitioners to organize said independent congregation.

**JAMES. A. MITCHELL,
W. S. WALKER,
GEO. R. GOLDSBOROUGH.**

Which Preamble and Resolution were adopted.

12 M. The hour having arrived for the election of the Standing Committee and other officers, the Convention proceeded to the election of a Standing Committee.

The President appointed the Rev. Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Parsons, tellers.

The Rev. Dr. Barber nominated Mr. Thomas Hughlett as Treasurer of the Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Stearns nominated the Rev. Dr. Barber as Registrar of the Diocese.

The Rev. Dr. Barber nominated the Rev. Messrs. E. F. Dashiell and Robert Wilson, and Messrs. E. L. F. Hardcastle and John C. Earle, M. D., as Trustees of the Clergy Relief Fund.

The Rev. Dr. Stearns nominated Messrs. I. L. Adkins, M. D., R. B. Carmichael, H. H. Dashiell, George R. Goldsborough, E. L. F. Hardcastle, Charles Lowndes and Wm. S. Walker, as Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.

Mr. Walker nominated Messrs. I. L. Adkins, M. D., and Jos. E. M. Chamberlaine, M. D., as members of the Board of Diocesan Missions.

The Rev. Mr. Wilson nominated for re-election, the Board of Managers of the Home for Friendless Children. (Appendix.)

The Rev. Dr. Stearns re-nominated the Council of Advice to the Home for Friendless Children. (Appendix.)

There being no other nominations, the ballot was dispensed with, and all the foregoing nominations were confirmed.

The tellers of the vote for members of the Standing Committee: reported the following as having a majority of the votes cast: The Rev. Drs. Barber and Crosdale, the Rev. Messrs. Barton, Dashiell and Wilson, who were declared to be duly elected.

The Rev. Dr. Stearns, from the Committee on the Episcopal Fund, submitted the following report:

The Committee on the Episcopal Fund, to whom was referred the Report of the Treasurer and of the Trustees of said Fund, have examined the same, and find the several aggregates correct. The investments mentioned therein appear to the Committee to have been judiciously made, with an eye both to prudent investment and to safety. The Committee regret to find so large an arrear in contributions on the part of many of the subscribers to the Fund, and are

clearly of opinion that some action on the part of the Convention is imperatively demanded. They, therefore, beg leave to submit the following :

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund be requested to report to each Parish in arrears, the amount of such arrearage, and that the several Vestries be requested to adopt such measures as will bring about an early settlement of the same by note or otherwise.

E. J. STEARNS,
SEWELL HEPBRON,
JNO. BROWN.

The foregoing resolution was thereupon adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barber, it was

Resolved, That the next Annual Convention meet in Christ Church, Cambridge.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Everett, it was

Resolved, That the provision the Prayer Book makes, when the Alms are presented and placed on the Lord's Table, is sufficient.

The Rev. Mr. Skinner submitted the following Preamble and Resolution :

WHEREAS, The interests of the Church and the subjects coming under discussion in the Annual Council of the Diocese, are of a nature requiring the pious consideration of her most devout members ; it is hereby

Resolved, As the sense of this Convention, that the Lay Delegates to the Diocesan Convention should be, if practicable, chosen from among the communicants ; and, therefore, the Vestries of the various Parishes are earnestly requested, in their election of Delegates, to choose, when it is practicable, communicants only ; while, on the other hand, the devout Laymen of the Diocese, who may be so elected, are urged to heed their election as a call of duty, and to make all other engagements yield, as much as possible, to this obligation.

Mr. Brown moved to lay the same upon the table, which motion did not prevail.

The question recurring upon the adoption of the resolution, a vote by orders was demanded, which resulted as follows :

OF THE CLERGY, *Ayes* — Rev. Messrs. Barber, D. D., Barton, Beaven, Bryan, Crosdale, D. D., Everett, Fitzhugh, Fulton, D. D., Hepbron, Hoskins, Miller, Mitchell, Roberts, Skinner, Totten, Walke, Williamson and Wilson — 17.

Nays — Rev. Messrs. Stearns, D. D., and Wattson — 2.

OF THE LAITY, *Ayes* — Messrs. Coudon, Goldsborough, Purnell, Parsons, Wetherell — 5.

Nays — Messrs. Adkins, Brown, Hepbron, Reynolds and Walker — 5.

So the resolution was lost by the non-concurrence of the two orders.

The Rev. Mr. Skinner offered the following substitute for Article II, of the Constitution, which, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Barton, was referred to the Committee on Canons :

There shall be a meeting of the Council of the Diocese of Easton on the first Wednesday of June in every third year, at the Cathedral town of the Diocese.

Mr. Parsons, from the Committee on Accounts, submitted the following report :

The Committee of Accounts would most respectfully report that they have examined the Treasurer's account for the past year. We find the amount received by him is *six hundred and ninety-six dollars and fifty-six cents*, (\$696.56), and the amount paid is *seven hundred and seventy-three dollars and fifty-five cents*. Leaving a balance due the Treasurer of *seventy-six dollars and ninety-nine cents* (\$76.99.)

ALFRED WETHERELL,
J. A. PARSONS.

The Rev. Dr. Barber, Registrar of the Diocese, submitted the following report :

In presenting his Annual Report, the Registrar announces with pleasure that the claim of Rev. Ethan Allen, D. D., has been in effect discharged. For the MS. History of the Parishes \$55 have been contributed since the last statement ; leaving \$43.78 of the original pledge unpaid. But the Rev. Dr. Allen has most considerately offered to accept \$450 in full discharge of his claim ; transferring the balance to the Board of Missions of the Diocese.

I present herewith the acknowledgment of the Rev. Dr. Allen in final settlement, and also a receipt of the Treasurer of Diocesan Missions for \$6.22 which I have since collected.

As the remaining subscriptions are received, the amounts will be at once transmitted to the same Board.

To complete our list of Journals of the Maryland Diocese we require ten of the earlier issues, viz: 1790, 1-3-4-6-7-8 ; also 1800, 2-7.

With most diligent inquiry during several years, the Registrar has failed to procure these valuable documents.

As the first Journals were very brief—comprising only two or three pages of a small pamphlet—it is suggested that, with a trifling appropriation, these might be copied in a clear hand, and thus our Annals would be complete.

A reprint of the earlier Journals must, of course, be the final resort, as there

are only two full sets of the Journals of the Maryland Diocese. But for all needful purposes, at present, a neat copy in MS. of the several Journals we have failed to obtain would suffice.

Perhaps the Diocese will approve and authorize this measure.

A few additions have been made to our valuable collection of documents since our last report.

A statement of receipts and expenditures is herewith presented.

THEO. P. BARBER,
Registrar of the Diocese.

On motion, an appropriation of fifteen dollars to the Registrar, to transcribe the earlier journals of the Diocese of Maryland, was made by the Convention.

On motion of Mr. Coudon, it was

Resolved, That a Committee of three, of which the Bishop shall be one, be appointed to take into consideration the propriety of removing, to a more suitable resting-place, the remains of Bishop Stone, and that they be authorized to take the necessary steps thereto.

The President named the following as members of the Committee: the Rev. Dr. Fulton and Mr. J. A. Parsons.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Mitchell, it was

Resolved, That the Treasurer pay the Secretary of this Convention the sum of twenty-five dollars for the expense of transcribing and distributing the Journal.

On motion of the same, the Secretary was ordered to have 500 copies of the Journal of this Convention printed for distribution.

The Rev. Mr. Dashiell, from the Committee on Parochial Contributions and Assessments, submitted the following report:

The Committee on Parochial Contributions and Assessments, submit their report as follows:

AMOUNTS RECEIVED ON ACCOUNT OF ASSESSMENTS FOR THE YEAR 1876:

St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	\$ 6 25
North Elk.....	18 75
North Sassafra.....	43 75
Trinity Church, Elkton.....	31 75
East New Market.....	10 00
Great Choptank Parish.....	37 50
Vienna Parish.....	6 25
Chester Parish, St. Paul's Church.....	43 75
I. U. Parish.....	12 50
North Kent Parish.....	30 00

St. Paul's Parish.....	30 00
Shrewsbury Parish.....	25 80
Christ Church, Kent Island.....	15 00
St. Luke's Parish.....	6 25
St. Paul's Parish, Centreville	43 75
Wye Parish.....	12 50
Somerset Parish.....	43 75
Pocomoke Parish.....	18 75
St. Michael's Parish.....	43 75
All Saints' Church.....	7 96
St. Peter's Parish, Talbot County.....	50 00
White Marsh Parish.....	31 25
Spring Hill Parish.....	27 00
All Hallows Parish.....	18 75
Worcester Parish.....	18 75
St. Augustine's Parish.....	2 50
	<hr/> \$636 26

FROM DELINQUENT PARISHES.

St. John's, Caroline County.....	\$ 1 00
Shrewsbury Parish.....	35 00
St. Paul's Parish, Cecil County.....	38 00
Wye Parish.....	9 17
Worcester Parish.....	15 00
	<hr/> \$98 17
Total received.....	<hr/> \$734 43

Respectfully submitted,

ERASTUS F. DASHIELL,
WILLIAM M. KNIGHT,
S. S. McMASTER,
HENRY S. COUDON.

On motion of Mr. Geo. R. Goldsborough, it was

Resolved, That All Saints' Church is hereby relieved from the assessment levied upon it, by the last Convention.

On motion of Mr. Walker, the following Preamble and Resolution were adopted :

WHEREAS, It is perhaps the universal experience of those connected with the finances of Parishes, that the hardest money to raise in the Parish is the assessment for Convention dues, and as a want of information as to the application of this fund must be the cause of the difficulty ; therefore,

Resolved, that such number of the Treasurer's report as shall equal the number of Communicants in the Diocese, be printed and distributed, so that a copy shall be put into the hands of each and every Communicant ; and thus afford them an opportunity of knowing for what purposes these assessments are needed, and how the money is applied.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

Evening Prayer being said by the Rev. Dr. Barber and the Rev. Mr. Hepbron, the Rt. Rev. the President called the Convention to order.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Mitchell, the following resolutions were adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are due, and are hereby tendered, to the Rector and Vestry of St. Peter's Parish for their arrangements for the comfort and convenience of the Convention, and to the citizens of Easton for their hospitality.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are hereby tendered to the Young Men's Christian Association of Easton for courtesies extended in the use of their rooms and furniture for the purposes of the Convention. And also to the Maryland and Delaware Railroad Company, the Dorchester and Delaware Railroad Company, and the Maryland Steamboat Company, for kindness in passing Delegates back and forth over their lines for one fare.

Resolved, That ten dollars be given the sexton for his services during the meeting of the Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Roberts moved a reconsideration of the resolution submitted by Rev. Mr. Everett this morning, which motion did not prevail, two-thirds not voting in the affirmative.

The Rev. Mr. Roberts submitted the following resolution :

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this Convention, the custom of standing and singing at the time the Alms are placed on the Lord's Table, is not in accordance with the principles of the Church and teachings of the Prayer Book.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Fulton, the resolution was laid on the table.

The Rev. Mr. Skinner, from the Committee on the State of the Church, submitted the following report :

The Committee on the State of the Church respectfully report, that 26 Annual Parochial Reports have come before them, and 20 Reports of Registers, together presenting a fair view of the actual condition of the Diocese.

Last year there were but 24 Parochial Reports, and 17 from Registers. We are glad to observe that all the living Parishes but one, are filled; and that zeal and activity are steadily on the increase throughout the Diocese.

A comparison of figures shows a slight increase in the number of Baptisms and Confirmations, over those of the previous year; but it is with regret that we note a falling off to the amount of two hundred dollars in the offerings for Diocesan Missions. Considering, however, the pecuniary distress of the times, this is no real cause for either surprise or discouragement. It is matter for sincere congratulation indeed, that despite the pressure, our faithful missionaries have received their stipends up to this date; and that, as we have heard to-day from the Chair, the Missionary Fund is not overdrawn.

This fact is the best guarantee that our people are willing to make effort commensurate with the necessity, in order that the great work of Missions may be duly prosecuted in the Diocese.

The same fact is an additional proof of the wisdom with which this department of the Diocesan work is now administered.

We would earnestly press the suggestion made a year ago, that those Parishes subsidized by the Board of Diocesan Missions, should vigorously endeavor to become self-sustaining, and to relieve the treasury of the pressure now put upon it, and release a portion at least of its funds for new fields.

The important question of Clerical maintenance claims the serious attention of the Laity.

Of 18 salaries reported by Registers, only *one* reaches \$1200, but *four* rise to \$1000, five only amount to \$600 each, and the remainder descend gradually as low as \$150.

It requires close enough calculations for a single man to keep his head above water, on such meagre support; but how the married Clergy in most instances, can maintain themselves and their families, passes comprehension.

But 14 Rectories are reported, of which 8 only are stated to be in repair; nearly half are barely habitable.

This, surely, is a subject likewise demanding the instant attention of the Laity. May it not well be questioned, indeed, whether a Parish has a right to expect a resident Clergyman, until it can offer him a home of his own?

Out of the whole number of Church edifices in the Diocese, but 10 are insured, and of the Parsonages only 7.

We take this occasion to press upon Vestries and Congregations the wisdom of more strict attention to this matter.

Again, as at the last meeting of the Convention, must we point thus to the loose administration of Church temporalities in many Parishes; and strongly urge upon those who have them in charge to endeavor more faithfully to realize their stewardship.

The one charitable Institution of the Diocese, the Home for Friendless Children, more powerfully than ever, claims our sympathy and our material aid.

It is literally upon the charities of the benevolent; and the little ones whom it shelters are dependent, as are the young ravens.

Let us more and more acknowledge the Christ-like character, and the untold usefulness of this blest undertaking, by more active interest and larger contributions. Let us strengthen the hands and acknowledge the devotion of those pious ones whose able management has so admirably conducted it in the face of every discouragement.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT WILSON,
WM. FULTON,
H. A. SKINNER,
J. S. PURNELL,
J. W. MARTIN.

The Rev. Dr. Crosdale, from the Committee on Canons, submitted the following report:

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the proposed substitute for Article II. of the Constitution, respectfully report that, in the discharge of the duty assigned them, they have given the subject the most serious consideration, and now recommend to the Convention the adoption of the following resolution :

***Resolved,* That it is inexpedient to adopt the proposed substitute for Article II. of the Constitution.**

In offering this resolution, the Committee would briefly refer to the fact that the changes proposed in the substitute involve matters of very grave and serious consideration. They are three in number. The first proposes to change entirely the corporate title of the Diocese. The second, the time of the meeting of the Convention from annual to triennial. The third, declaring that the Convention shall always meet in the Cathedral town of the Diocese, instead of such place as shall be determined by the previous Convention.

In regard to the first of these proposed changes, it may be said that if we were now about to organize the Diocese of Easton and form a Constitution for the same, the question might be raised whether its corporate title should be the "Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church," or the "Council of the Diocese of Easton." In fact, at the organization of the Diocese the whole subject was considered and thoroughly discussed, and the Convention did not then consider it necessary to make any change, for reasons which were perfectly satisfactory and which still remain in full force. The most important of these reasons was, that the Diocese in its corporate capacity was known and legalized by its title of "The Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church," and it was foreseen by the legal minds of the Convention that any attempt at that late day, to change its corporate title would not only involve serious difficulties, but greatly imperil the legal status of the Diocese and of all that it holds in its corporate capacity.

The second change proposed to be effected by the adoption of the offered substitute, is so clearly contrary to every established principle to which we have been accustomed, that the Committee can scarcely suppose it would be seriously considered by the Convention. It seems to have been proposed and advocated simply on the ground of economy. But your Committee is very slow to believe that any consideration of that character alone, involving the saving of a few hundred dollars a year, would induce the Convention to forego the great and manifest advantages resulting from an annual meeting.

The third change proposed seems to be at least premature. Doubtless when the measures now in progress for carrying out the Cathedral system in the Diocese shall be happily consummated, that fact will have its due weight in determining the place where the Convention of the Diocese shall hold its sessions. But until then, the Committee do not consider it desirable that any change shall be made in regard to a matter which, at the organization of our Diocese, was definitely settled, after the most thorough discussion of its merits.

For these reasons the Committee recommend the adoption of the resolution they have herewith proposed.

**THEO. P. BARBER,
JOHN CROSDALE,
I. L. ADKINS.**

The resolution, reported by the Committee, was thereupon adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barber, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Convention has listened with deep interest, to the plan unfolded by the Bishop in his address, of a proposed Missionary enterprise in connection with the development of the Cathedral system, and express their hearty sympathy therein, with the pledge of such financial aid, as it may be in their power to render.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, it was

Resolved, That after the reading of the Minutes, and after appropriate devotions, the Convention do adjourn, *sine die*.

The Minutes were thereupon read and approved, a hymn was sung, and after prayers and Benediction by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

HENRY C. LAY,
President ex-officio.

JAMES L. BRYAN,
Secretary.

WILLIAM S. WALKER,
Assistant Secretary.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. John's Parish.

W. S. H. Mansfield and John H. Holt, Wardens.

J. B. Bishop, Dr. G. W. Goldsborough, Dr. P. S. Reynolds, F. T. Barton, J. M. Wooters, J. P. Manlove, W. C. Satterfield, E. M. Bonwill, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 18; Confirmed 6; Marriages 6; Burials 9; Holy Communions administered 24.

Communicants, added 6; removed 7; present number 52.

Sunday School Teachers 7; Scholars 40; Families 26; Individuals 156; Sitzings 300. Money receipts \$428.86; Parochial Expenditures \$280.57; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$15.00; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$2.00; Episcopal Fund \$3 00; Home of the Friendless \$15.00; Diocesan Missions \$56.03; for the Rector \$147.79.

All the money the Rector has received from the Parish, for the use of himself and family, is \$147.79; all of which came through the Offertory, except \$3.00, the gift of a friend.

GEO. F. BEAVEN, *Rector.*

St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.

George M. Russum, and Fred. Straughn, M. D., Wardens.

Philip W. Downes, Geo. M. Russum, Wm. G. Horsey, Chas. Stevens, Jas. B. Steele, Fred. Straughn, M. D., J. W. Bryant, John Gale Steele, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 6; Confirmed 1; Catechisings 6; Holy Communions administered 18; Communicants, added 1; removed 1; present number 12.

Sunday School Teachers 4; Scholars 17; Families 12; Individuals 52; Sitzings 100. Money Receipts \$393.70; Parochial Expenditures \$301.18; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$66.00; Treasurer of the Conven-

tion \$6.25; Diocesan Missions \$22 11; Domestic Missions \$2.45; Foreign Missions \$1.34; Relief of Clergy \$1.41.

Two families have removed from the place, and the consequence is a great diminution of the number of children in the Sunday School. Since I took charge of the Parish, twelve Communicants have been added (eleven of them by Confirmation) to the original nine; two have withdrawn; and seven have removed from the Parish.

Since my last report, some additions have been made to the Chancel furniture, including a Bishop's chair. This has been done by the Ladies' Guild, which was organized last winter, and is now in successful operation. The Church has also been enclosed with a neat fence, and some improvements made in the Churchyard.

EDWARD J. STEARNS, *Rector.*

CECIL COUNTY.

St. Mary Anne's or North Elk Parish.

Samuel L. Chamberlaine and Caleb Veasy, Wardens.

Joseph Coudon, Henry Coudon, John Mauldin, George P. Whitaker, Frank W. Jones, Samuel Chamberlaine, William Simcoe, Elisha Harris, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 11; Infant 49—60; Confirmed 15; Marriages 3; Burials 15; Catechisings 50; Holy Communions administered, public 25; private 5—30; Communicants, added 18; removed 2; died 8; present number 75.

Sunday School Teachers 15; Scholars 150; Parish School Teacher 1; Scholars 28 Families 50; Individuals 200; Sittings 350. Money Receipts \$1,222.85; Parochial Expenditures \$800.00; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$100.00; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$25.00; Paid to Treasurer of Convention \$15.00; Episcopal Fund \$198.80; Home of the Friendless \$18.33; Diocesan Missions \$64.82; Foreign Missions \$1.25; Relief of Clergy \$15.77; Parish School \$182.88; Sunday School Expenses \$50.00; Glebe Rents \$168.70.

ENOCH K. MILLER, *Rector.*

St. James' Church.

A. Ruppel and A. Smith, Wardens.

J. B. Pugh, Thomas Armstrong, H. L. Physick, W. Hopkins, R. E. McClennahan, J. W. Beavan, A. Ruppel, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 14; Confirmed 7; Marriages 2; Burials 3; Catechisings monthly; Holy Communions administered 24; Communicants, added 7; removed 17; present number 48.

Sunday School Teachers 9; Scholars 50; Families 40; Individuals 120; Sitzings 200. Money Receipts \$1,085.95; Parochial Expenditures, not including Rector's salary, \$1,085.70; Treasurer of the Convention \$12.50; Home of the Friendless \$25.00; Diocesan Missions \$50 00; Relief of Clergy \$8.00.

I have resigned the charge of Port Deposit Mission, and with the approbation of the Bishop of the Diocese, have accepted the Rectorship of Shrewsbury Parish, Kent County, tendered to me by the Vestry. The failing state of my health has made this change necessary. Port Deposit is endeared to me by a ministry of six years nearly, during which the most complete and delightful harmony has ever prevailed between minister and people.

JOHN MARTIN, *Rector.*

North Sassafras Parish.

J. C. Crookshank and D. P. Davis, Wardens.

William Knight, B. B. Price, J. W. Veasey, S. E. Wills, E. S. Jones, George Biddle, D. P. Davis, William Ward, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 6; Infant 28—29; Confirmed 12; Marriages 5; Burials 10; Holy Communion administered monthly; Communicants, added 18; removed 2; died 2; present number 54.

Sunday School Teachers 6; Scholars 38; Families 25; Individuals 100; Sitzings 200. Money Receipts \$805.96; Parochial Expenditures \$2,250.94; Treasurer of the Convention \$43.75; Episcopal Fund \$207.40; Home of the Friendless \$61.91; paid Treasurer of Diocesan Missions \$88.78; Relief of Clergy \$12.68.

LEWIS WALKE, *Rector.*

St. Augustine Parish.

Confirmations	2
Baptisms	2
Communicants	9
Treasurer of the Convention	\$ 2 50
Episcopal Fund.....	29 80
Parish Expenses	50 00

LEWIS WALKE, *Rector*
by assignment of the Bishop.

Trinity Parish.

R. C. Mackall, M. D., and W. W. Henderson, Wardens.

G. W. Cruikshank, John Partridge, R. G. Reese, Ed. Sweetapple, W. W. Henderson, L. T. Roberts, A. Wetherill, R. C. Mackall, M. D., Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 2; Infant 20—22; Confirmed 6; Marriages 3;

Burials 7; Catechisings weekly; Holy Communion administered 39 times; Communicants, added 6; removed 1; died 2; present number 87.

Sunday School Teachers 6; Scholars 40; Families 50; Individuals 250; Sitzings 250. Money Receipts \$1,474.51; Parochial Expenditures \$881.22; Treasurer of the Convention \$22.00; Episcopal Fund \$61.08; Home of the Friendless \$12.86; Diocesan Missions \$111.03; Foreign Missions \$5.75; Relief of Clergy \$22.00; Insurance, &c., \$27.11.

HENRY A. SKINNER, *Rector*.

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

Dorchester Parish.

Dr. W. A. Smith and John E. Graham, Wardens.

S. M. Travers, W. W. Mace, J. H. Edmondson, R. L. Spilman, T. K. Carroll, M. D., J. M. Willis, W. J. Bowdle, T. H. Keene of L., Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 3; Marriage 1; Burials 3; Catechisings appointed monthly at each church; Holy Communion administered monthly at each church and on high days; Communicants, present number 19.

Sunday School Teachers 8; Scholars 55; Families 25; Individuals 125; Sitzings 400. Money Receipts \$398.00; Parochial Expenditures \$367.50; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$28.50.

D. M. ELLWOOD, *Rector*.

East New Market Parish.

Dr. J. T. Jacobs and Matthew Rose, Wardens.

T. B. Sherman, K. M. Jacobs, T. J. Hicks, E. S. Johnson, I. H. Wright, T. Leckie, Dr. J. R. Phillips, M. Rose, Vestrymen.

Baptism, Infant 1; Confirmed 4; Marriage 1; Burials 2; Catechisings semi-monthly; Holy Communion administered monthly and on the Festivals; Communicants, added 3; removed 5; present number 38.

Sunday School Teachers 4; Scholars 22; Families 30; Individuals 75 to 100; Sitzings 100. Money Receipts \$133.00; Parochial Expenditures \$86.00; Treasurer of the Convention \$10.00; Home of the Friendless \$10.75, and box \$25.00; Diocesan Missions \$17.74; Domestic Missions \$2.00; Foreign Missions \$2.00; Relief of Clergy \$5.00.

The Ladies' Parochial Aid Society has been active and helped in various ways. Besides the donations to the Home of the Friendless, it has aided the Vestry in paying the Rector's salary, to the amount of sixty-one dollars. We move on our peaceful and consistent course, the Church gathering strength as she advances.

JAMES W. HOSKINS, *Rector*.

Parochial Reports.

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Great Choptank Parish.

William R. Hayward, M. D., and Daniel M. Henry, Wardens.

Dr. Alex. H. Bayly, Dr. William R. Hayward, Daniel M. Henry, Dr. Thos. B. Steele, Chas. F. Goldsborough, Thos. H. Handy, Dr. Thos. H. Williams, Edw. W. LeCompte, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 11; Confirmed 15; Marriages 6; Burials 10; Catechisings, frequent; Holy Communion administered 28 times; Communicants, added 22; removed 16; died 5; present number 170.

Sunday School Teachers 15; Scholars 96; Families 90; Individuals 447; Sittings 460. Money Receipts \$2,799.82; Parochial Expenditures \$1,150.00; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$850.00; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$270.00; Treasurer of the Convention \$87.50; Episcopal Fund \$95.93; Home of the Friendless \$61.15; Diocesan Missions \$133.76; Domestic Missions \$47.18; Foreign Missions \$17.00; Relief of Clergy \$7.80; Home Missions for Colored People \$10.00; Miscellaneous \$120.00.

The Assistant Minister has rendered acceptable aid, as in former years, when the occasion required. The Rector and the Congregation concur in expressing acknowledgments.

THEO. P. BARBER, *Rector.*

JAMES L. BRYAN, *Asst. Minister.*

Vienna Parish.

W. S. Craft and J. A. Higgins, Wardens.

W. S. Craft, J. A. Higgins, A. S. Percy, John Webb, Thos. Higgins, Dr. Eugene Hodson, Dr. Levin Hodson, J. Robinson, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 8; Burials 2; Catechisings monthly; Holy Communion administered monthly; Communicant, added 1.

Sunday School Teachers 4; Scholars 10; Families 15; Individuals 75; Sittings 125. Money Receipts \$57.00; Parochial Expenditures \$40.00; Treasurer of the Convention \$6.25; Home of the Friendless \$1.50; Diocesan Missions \$7.80; Indian Missions \$2.00.

A Parochial Aid Society has been formed by the ladies of this Parish, and is at work. As evidence thereof, it has made a present to the Rector of twenty-five dollars, and intends to make some repairs on the Church building, which are needed.

JAMES W. HOSKINS, *Rector.*

KENT COUNTY.*Chester Parish.*

N. G. Westcott and T. S. Wickes, Wardens.

**G. W. T. Perkins, W. H. Meeteer, J. A. Pearce, J. L. Stam, W. S. Walker,
W. N. E. Wickes, J. A. Wickes, G. B. Westcott, Vestrymen.**

**Baptisms, Infant 8; Marriages 8; Burials 8; Catechisings monthly;
Holy Communion administered 15 times; Communicants, added 6;
removed 11; died 4; present number 82.**

**Sunday School Teachers 14; Scholars 86; Families 86; Individuals 140;
Sittings 841. Money Receipts \$1,332.89; Parochial Expenditures \$1,005.49;
Alms and Charities within the Parish \$95.05; paid to the Treasurer of
the Convention \$43 75; paid to the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund
\$103.50; Diocesan Missions \$62.55; Domestic Missions \$6 60; Foreign
Missions \$6.59; Relief of Clergy \$8.86.**

S. C. ROBERTS, Rector.

North Kent Parish.

D. C. Blackiston and L. M. Bean, Wardens.

**D. C. Blackiston, Wm. Cacy, Stephen Boyer, J. J. Hall, C. H. B. Massey,
Samuel Cacy, J. Jackson Spear, O. S. Hurlock, Vestrymen.**

**Baptisms, Infant 7; Confirmed 3; Marriage 1; Holy Communion
administered first Sunday in the month and on high festivals; Commu-
nicants, added 5; removed 3; present number 87.**

**Sunday School Teachers 3; Scholars 25; Families 30; Individuals 150.
Money Receipts \$1,120 67; all spent in the Parish except \$8.87 for Diocesan
Missions; \$20.00 for Episcopal Fund; \$30.00 for Convention Fund.**

J. N. WATTSON, Rector.

St. Paul's Parish.

George Beck and Thomas Ringgold, Wardens.

**Capt. J. C. Hynson, Chas G. Ricaud, T. A. Hulme, Capt. Wm. J. Rasin,
George T. Holliday, Jas. Rankin, Josias Ringgold, Jr., Wm. P. Francis,
Vestrymen.**

**Baptisms, Infant 18; Burials 10; Holy Communions administered 16;
Communicants, present number 51.**

**Sunday School Teachers 5; Scholars 30; Families 60; Individuals 250.
Money Receipts \$1,127.40; Parochial Expenditures \$1,029.00; Parochial
Improvements and Purchases \$285.00; Treasurer of the Convention
\$68 00; Relief of Clergy \$20 00; Dr. Allen's History \$10.00.**

There has been no Confirmation in the Parish since the last report,

the Bishop by special request of the Rector having withdrawn his appointment, which accounts for no report under head of Confirmations. Though this report may not indicate the fact, the Church and surroundings, together with Rectory and Glebe, are in better condition than for some years past, and there is an indication of much life in the Parish.

SEWELL S. HEPBRON, *Rector.*

Shrewsbury Parish.

The late Rector, the Rev. S. D. Hall, reports in substance: Baptisms 2, (and 3 by the Bishop) = 5; Burials 8; Communicants 75. A Sunday School at the Church, and also at Galena.

Money Receipts about \$1,509.70; Parish Expenditures \$1,075.00; Parish Charities \$8.50.

He acknowledges very great liberality in furnishing him with supplies, and refers with much satisfaction to the zeal and energy of the people at Galena in building a chapel.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

Christ Church Parish.

W. A. Thompson and William P. Tanner, Wardens.

W. E. G. Newnam, C. E. Tolson, E. C. Legg, J. B. Hopkins, J. C. Niude, Elfred Price, William B. Goodhand, J. H. Price, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 8; Marriage 1; Burial 1; Catechisings occasional; Holy Communions administered 13; Communicants, added 1; removed 1; present number 19.

Sunday School Teachers, Rector and his wife; Scholars in the Parish 24; Families 8; Individuals 50; Sitzings 80. Money Receipts \$38.50; Parochial Expenditures, including current expenses, salaries of every sort, repairs and the like, approximate estimate, accounts not accessible, \$1,200.00; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$22.50; Treasurer of the Convention \$15 00; Diocesan Missions \$1.85; Church Building Fund \$86.99; by Ladies' Society \$6.00.

The growth of the Church in this Parish is effectually hindered by not having a Church building. Services are conducted in a room adjoining the Rectory, which is very inadequate to accommodate the congregation which could in a short time be assembled if we only had a suitable building. Unless the Rector misjudges, few fields present a more favorable appearance of prospect for growth of the Church than this, if the people could be brought fairly under churchly influence. Difficulties and discouragements crowd around us at almost every turn, but we are doing what we can towards the erection of a church building.

PHILIP D. THOMPSON, *Rector.*

*Diocesan Convention of Easton.**St. Luke's Parish.*

W. E. B. Faithful and R. E. C. Downs, Wardens.

John Brown, J. E. George, William H. Newnan, E. S. Valliant, William Gould, Joseph Guest, A. J. Gadd, James Brown, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 17; Confirmations 9; Marriage 1; Burials 3; Catechisings 3; Holy Communions administered 8; Communicants, added 13; removed 1; present number 34.

Sunday School Teachers 8; Scholars 25; Families 25; Individuals 60 Money Receipts \$1,134.97; Parochial Expenditures \$1,032.90; Paid to the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund \$58.66; Diocesan Missions \$13.45.

The above report is made from memoranda left by the late minister the Rev. William A. Schoubert, and entries collected from the Parish register.

JOHN BROWN, *Register.*

St. Paul's Parish.

James T. Earle and Samuel T. Earle, Wardens.

Richard T. Earle, Wm. McKenney, Robert Goldsborough, Edwin H Brown, Samuel T. Earle, M. D., Dorsey Wright, Richard Hollyday John B. Brown, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 22; Confirmations 14; Marriages 3; Burials 5 Catechisings monthly; Holy Communions administered 18; Communicants, added 23; removed 5; present number 126.

Sunday School Teachers 10; Scholars 50; Parish School Teachers 2 Scholars 21; Families 65; Individuals 300; Sittings 350. Money Receipts \$1,394.89; Parochial Expenditures \$857.02; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$27.44; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$60.54; Treasurer of the Convention \$40.00; Home of the Friendless \$38.50; Diocesan Missions \$152.42; Foreign Missions \$4.74; Relief of Clergy \$5.00; Indian Missions \$12.30; Allen Manuscript \$10.60; object outside of Parish \$12.04; Sunday School \$19.86; Unappropriated \$155.00

The above report does not embrace all the receipts during the year. We are glad to be able to state, that subscriptions to the Episcopal Fund have been satisfactorily settled by note. The actual amount in figure will be given in our next report.

JAMES A. MITCHELL, *Rector.*

QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT COUNTIES.

Wye Parish.

Dr. James Davidson and W. R. Davidson, Wardens.

James Davidson, R. B. Carmichael, Sr., R. C. Tilghman, W. R. Davidson, C. H. Tilghman, Thomas Grason, Geo. Davidson, N. Comegys, Vestrymen.

Parochial Reports.

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Baptisms, Adult 1; Infant 34=35; Confirmations 8 Marriages 7 Burials 7; Catechisings 3; Holy Communions administered 30; Communicants, added 12; removed 3; died 1; present number 71.

Sunday School Teachers 3; Scholars 15; Families 38; Individuals 168; Sitzings 316. Money Receipts \$770.20; Parochial Expenditures \$561.28; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$41.85; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$5.70; paid to the Treasurer of the Convention \$21.67; Home of the Friendless \$22.00; Diocesan Missions \$103.75; Domestic Missions \$3.00; Foreign Missions \$10.00; Relief of Clergy \$17.70.

W. B. EVERETT, *Rector.*

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Somerset Parish.

John Woolford and Ignatius W. Phoebus, Wardens; C. C. Waller, H. H. Robertson, Levin H. Curtis and Thos. H. Fitzgerald, Jr., Assistant Wardens.

Dr. W. H. Gale, Dr. William Stewart, Dr. J. W. Dashiell, H. H. Dashiell, Wm. J. Brittingham, Levin Woolford, Robert J. Waller, Isaac S. Atkinson, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 1; Infant 33=34; Marriages 6; Burials 11; Catechisings every Sunday in both Schools; Holy Communions administered 30; Communicants, added 5; removed 11; died 8; present number 185.

Sunday School Teachers in two Schools 21; Scholars in two Schools 120; Families 96; Individuals 430; Sitzings 450. Money Receipts \$1,963.28; Parochial Expenditures, \$1,227.73; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$155.00; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$20.00; Treasurer of the Convention \$43.75; Episcopal Fund \$130.25; Home of the Friendless \$11.00; Diocesan Missions \$84.55; Nashotah \$31.00; Repairs on All Saints Church, Monie, \$400.00.

JOHN O. BARTON, *Rector.*

Coventry Parish.

Thomas Williams and Charles C. Curtis, Wardens.

W. Williams, M. D., George R. Dennis, M. D., Thomas Williams, F. Adams, M. D., Charles C. Curtis, G. M. Upshur, M. D., James B. Curtis, John C. Horsey, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 16; Confirmations, a class waiting; Marriage 1; Burials 6; Holy Communions administered 10; Communicants, added 9; removed 5; present number 77.

Families 41; Individuals 200; Sitzings 750. Money receipts \$416.01;

Parochial Expenditures \$238.80; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$40.00; Treasurer of the Convention \$12.50; Diocesan Missions \$55.31.

Aided by the appropriation from the Diocesan Board of Missions, the regular services of the Church have been continued in this Parish during the past year without interruption, and have not been without some beneficial result. The congregations in the several churches are increasing and especially is this the case in St. Stephen's Church, Fairmount, where a very hopeful spirit prevails, and the promise exists of a bright prospect for the future. By the zeal of the ladies of that congregation, a neat and substantial fence has been placed around the churchyard, and other improvements are contemplated which will add much to the general appearance of the Church and its surroundings.

At a recent meeting of the Vestry of the Parish, resolutions were adopted expressive of their grateful thanks to the Board of Diocesan Missions for the aid heretofore so liberally bestowed, and at the same time requesting that for the future the appropriation made to the Parish shall be reduced by at least one-half. They also pledged themselves and those whom they represent, to do all in their power to render unnecessary, at the shortest possible period, any appropriation to the Parish from the Diocesan Board.

It is hoped that arrangements may soon be perfected by which the services, as at present imperfectly rendered, may be superseded by those of a more effective character.

JOHN CROSDALE, *Minister.*

SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

Pocomoke Parish.

A. A. McMaster and George T. Truitt, M. D., Wardens.

A. A. McMaster, C. C. Lloyd, J. E. Hayward, B. H. Williams; J. W. Humphrey, D. J. A. Truitt, M. D., Bennet Mason, George T. Truitt, M. H. Ventryman.

~~Members~~ Adult 1; Infant 18—19; Confirmations 11; Marriages 8; ~~Members~~ Holy Communion administered (3 private) 18; Communion ~~received~~ removed 4; died 8; present number 105.

~~Members~~ ~~Members~~ 7; Scholars 43; Families 58; Individuals 260; ~~Members~~ Money Received \$857.71; Parochial Expenditures \$882.71; ~~Members~~ Improvements and Purchases \$110.00; Alms and Charities ~~Members~~ \$12.00; Treasurer of the Convention \$18.75; Episcopal ~~Members~~ \$80.00; Diocesan Missions \$58.79; ~~Members~~ \$14.00; Foreign Missions \$8.00; Relief of Clergy \$4.86.

~~Members~~ Mission services were commenced in a ~~Members~~ neighborhood, a section of the Parish

lying between Newtown and Snow Hill on the west side of Pocomoke River, which have been continued with encouraging prospects of success, and give promise of the organization of a permanent congregation and the erection of a church at no distant day. The interior of St. Mary's Church, Newtown, has been much improved by the gift of a handsome stained glass window in memory of a deceased parishioner.

JOHN CROSDALE, *Rector.*

TALBOT COUNTY.

St. Michael's Parish.

George R. Goldsborough and Daniel M. Fedderman, Wardens.

Wm. Goldsborough, George R. Goldsborough, George Tyler, Charles Lowndes, Wm. Willis, George E. Haddaway, H. Oliver, John C. Adams, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 6; Confirmations 8; Marriages 2; Burials 5; Catechisings 12; Holy Communions administered 88; Communicants, added 3; removed 2; died 2; present number 121.

Sunday School Teachers 10; Scholars 60; Families 58; Individuals 350; Sittings 550. Money Receipts \$2,148.69; Parochial Expenditures \$900.00; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$110.00; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$195.18; Episcopal Fund \$361.70; Home of the Friendless \$83.81; Foreign Missions \$20.00; Relief of Clergy \$28.00.

ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, *Rector.*

St. Peter's Parish.

William H. Smith and Isaac L. Adkins, M. D., Wardens.

Saml. Hambleton, I. L. Adkins, Jno. C. Earle, M. D., M. T. Goldsborough, R. T. Trippe, Wm. H. Smith, Jno. F. Kersey, Wm. M. Hollyday, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 31; Confirmations 13; Marriage 1; Burials 11; Catechisings monthly; Holy Communion administered 22 times; Communicants, added 24; removed 14; died 2; present number 251.

Sunday School Teachers, including Mission at Easton Point, 14; Scholars 180; Bishop's School Teachers 3; Scholars 35; Families 65; Individuals 500; Sittings 860. Money Receipts \$3,657.16; Parochial Expenditures \$2,243.83; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$116.97; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$196.55; Treasurer of the Convention \$75.00; Episcopal Fund \$411.35; Home of the Friendless \$167.49; Diocesan Missions \$319.89; Domestic Missions \$74.51; Foreign Missions \$16.94; Increase of Ministry \$28.03; Relief of Clergy \$49.10; Indian Missions \$30.62; Charities outside \$50.54; Miscellaneous \$25.00.

Owing to an oversight in last report, the present number of Communicants appears to have decreased by 8. It has really increased by 20, the present figures being accurate. So also the number of Families has decreased 10, not by *loss*, but by *combination*. Extensive improvements on the Parish Church are now progressing, which it is hoped will be completed by September 1st. A Chancel-window of beautiful design has been ordered, and a new organ will be put in position. Complications of receipt and payment upon these matters will account for seeming discrepancies in money reports. These will be rectified next year.

ROBERT WILSON, *Rector*.

White Marsh Parish.

T. S. Haddaway and T. J. Chaplain, Wardens.

J. W. Martin, E. M. Hardcastle, A. H. Barnett, Robert Bartlett, Wm. A. Kirby, John Warner, A. Matthews, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 1; Infant 8=9; Confirmations 17; Marriages 4; Burials 3; Catechisings every Sunday; Holy Communions administered 18; Communicants, added 18; removed 8; died 2; present number 103.

Sunday School Teachers 10; Scholars 60; Families 58; Individuals 830; Sittings 200. Money Receipts \$1,223.57; Parochial Expenditures \$934.57; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$310.00; Alms and Charities within the Parish and out of it \$80; Treasurer of the Convention \$25; Home of the Friendless \$27.59; Diocesan Missions \$37.93; Foreign Missions \$25.00; Relief of Clergy \$4.06; Miscellaneous \$25.00.

Our Parish clothes one child at Home of the Friendless in addition to our money subscription.

We have purchased a lot adjoining the church in town of Trappe, and upon which we propose to build a Rectory; it contains half an acre of ground, for which we paid \$250. We have subscribed for the purpose of building the Rectory \$1,270. Five hundred and thirty-nine dollars of these subscriptions have been paid in to the treasurer, and are now in bank at Easton.

The Parish has an old fund of \$230 in private hands, which we propose to add to the Rectory fund.

GEORGE S. FITZHUGH, *Rector*.

All Saints' Church.

Baptisms, Infant 5; Confirmations 3; Marriages 2; Burials 3; Catechisings 12; Holy Communions administered 30; Communicants, added 6; removed 3; present number 48.

Sunday School Teachers 2; Scholars 25; Families 31; Individuals 120; Sittings 200. Money Receipts \$320.23; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$44.77; Treasurer of the Convention \$7.93; Home of the Friendless \$33.79; Diocesan Missions \$95.20; Increase of Ministry \$29.24; Relief of Clergy \$62.48; Church in Mexico \$5.21; Mission to Jews \$6.00.

RICHARD TOTTEN, *Missionary*.

WICOMICO COUNTY.

Spring Hill Parish.

George W. Hitch and John F. Collier, Wardens.

Isaac S. Adams and J. Aug. Parsons, Assistant Wardens.

John White, Milton A. Parsons, J. Aug. Parsons, William Waller, George Waller, William E. Brewington, Dr. W. H. H. Dashiell, George W. Hitch, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 2; Infant 9=11; Confirmations 7; Marriages 6; Burials 8; Holy Communions administered 25; Communicants, added 11; removed 14; died 1; present number 193.

Sunday School Teachers 17; Scholars 120; Families 120; Individuals 600; Sitzings 600. Money Receipts \$1,741.44; Parochial Expenditures \$1,280.86; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$69.62; Treasurer of the Convention \$27.00; Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund \$184.96; Diocesan Missions \$40.80; Domestic Missions \$4.41; Foreign Missions \$5.00; Sunday School \$62.29; Home of the Friendless \$11.50; Miscellaneous \$55.00.

WILLIAM FULTON, D. D., *Rector.*

WORCESTER COUNTY.

All Hallows' Parish.

James D. Hack and B. Everett Smith, Wardens.

Thos. P. Parker, Jas. S. Jones, Geo. W. Bishop, Stephen Mason, Geo. M. Upshur, Frank Porter, Samuel Townsend, John Robins, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 5; Confirmations 16; Burials 5; Catechisings occasionally; Holy Communion administered monthly; Communicants, added 16; removed 8; present number about 67.

Sunday School Teachers 5; Scholars, boys 16, girls 15=31; Families about 32; Individuals about 150; Sitzings 400. Parochial Expenditures \$996.82; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$77.90; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$15.00; Treasurer of the Convention \$18.75; Episcopal Fund \$20.11; Home of the Friendless \$11.35; Diocesan Missions \$32.21; Domestic Missions \$10.47; Foreign Missions \$12.70; Sunday School Library \$50.00; Conveyance to Stockton and Lindseyville \$52.50; Organ repaired \$25.00; Miscellaneous \$10.00.

Since last November I have officiated regularly in Stockton and Lindseyville, where we have a good attendance. The Vestry will soon have All Hallows' Church repaired and otherwise improved.

C. H. WILLIAMSON, *Rector.*



Worcester Parish.

J. M. Marshall and John R. Purnell, Wardens.

**Edwin J. Dericksons, H. C. Hudson, S. T. Williams, William B. Ro
Vestrymen.**

**Baptisms, Adult 3; Infant 4—7; Confirmations 9; Marriage 1; B
1; Catechisings 6; Holy Communions administered 9; Communic
added 13; present number 66.**

**Sunday School Teachers 6; Scholars 34; Families 29; Individuals
Sittings 850. Money Receipts \$1,013.74; Parochial Expenditures \$71
Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$70 67; Alms and Cha
within the Parish \$4.35; Treasurer of the Convention \$33.75; Episc
Fund \$91 76; Home of the Friendless \$35.32; Diocesan Missions \$6
Foreign Missions \$12.00; Relief of Clergy \$5 00.**

**I have been Rector of the Parish only a little over four months; du
that short pastorate I think I have received an earnest of my future l
under God. I make it a point to have frequent services, celebrating
Communion on the first Sunday of each month, and on all the fea
days of the Church.**

C. E. MILNOR, Rector

TABLE 1.—Summary of Parochial Reports (Statistics of Persons).

Parish or Church.	Baptisms.		Con- firmations.		Communicants.			Fam- ilies.	Individ- uals.	Marri- ages.	Fu- erals.	Par. School.		Sund. School.		Sittings.
	Adult.	Infant.			Add'd.	Re- mov- ed.	Present Number.					Teach- ers.	Schol- ars.	Teach- ers.	Schol- ars.	
St. John's	18	6	8	7	6	7	68	26	158	6	8			7	40	200
St. Mary W. Chapel	6	1	1	1	1	1	13	13	53					4	17	100
Augustine	2	3	3				9									100
St. Mary Anne's	49	15	15	2	13	2	75	60	200	3	15		26	18	150	250
St. James	14	7	7	17	13	2	45	40	120	2	8	1		9	50	200
N. Sassafras	29	13	13	3	13	2	54	25	100	5	10			8	38	200
Trinity	20	6	6	1	6	2	67	50	250	3	7			6	40	250
Dorchester	3						19	25	128	1	3			8	55	400
E. N. Market	1	4	4	5	3		33	30	100	1	2			4	33	100
G. Choptank	11	16	16	18	23	5	170	90	447	6	10			15	96	400
Vienna	3			11	1	4	13	15	75		3			4	10	125
Chester	3			11	6		62	36	140	3	5			14	86	241
L. U.							27									200
N. Kent	7	8	8	3	5	3	37	20	150	1	10			8	25	250
St. Paul's, Kent	13	5	5	1	7		51	60	250					6	30	250
Shrewsbury	5						75	100	300					7	35	250
Christ, Kent Island	3			1	1		19	8	50	1	1			2	24	50
St. Luke's	17	9	9	1	13		34	25	60	3	6			8	35	90
St. Paul's, Q. A.	22	14	14	3	23		126	65	300	7	7	3	21	10	50	350
Wye	34	8	8	11	5	1	71	96	168	6	11			3	15	315
Bomerset	23			3	3	3	135	96	480					21	120	450
Coventry	16			6	9		77	41	200	1	5					750
Wicomico																100
Pocomoke	13	11	11	4	11	3	105	53	240	3	17			7	43	250
St. Michael's	6	3	3	2	3	2	131	58	350	2	5			10	60	550
St. Peter's	31	13	13	14	24	3	251	65	500	1	11	3	35	14	130	300
Holy Trinity																
Whitemarsh	3	17	17	3	18	2	103	53	330	4	3			10	60	200
All Saints	5	3	3	3	6		43	31	120	2				2	25	200
St. Matthew's																100
Spring Hill	9	7	7	14	11	1	193	120	600		8			17	120	600
Stepney				8			67	33	150		6			5	31	100
All Hallows	5	16	16		16		63	29	102	1	1			6	34	400
Worcester	4	9	9	13	13		68							6		250
	28	157	255	140	23	2314	1808	6063	69	185	5	84	233	1451	3123	

VESTRY REPORTS.

These reports are of so much interest, as showing how the Laity meet their special obligations in the common work, that the Bishop prefers to give a summary of them, rather than a tabular statement.

There are reports from twenty Vestries. There are lacking reports from the larger parishes of St. John's, St. James's, North Kent, Great Choptank, Shrewsbury, as well as from three smaller parishes having a Rector, and four others now in suspense.

GLEBES AND ENDOWMENTS.

North Sassafras and Christ Church, Kent Island, have valuable glebes, adequate on the average to the support of the Rector.

St. Paul's, Kent County, has a farm of sixty acres, not profitable hitherto, but lately improved and leased for three years, with the prospect of being put in good condition.

The endowments and vested funds reported are as follows: Chester, \$1,000; St. Paul's, Queen Anne, \$1,000; Somerset, \$5,523.39; Pocomoke, \$425; Whitemarsh, \$475; Spring Hill, \$150; All Hallows, \$4,275.

In all but two or three instances, (in all the Parishes,) accounts seem to be kept with accuracy; the other instances are painful exceptions. Trouble and loss may come in the event of individual disaster or sudden death, because the Parish has no accounts to show.

PARSONAGES.

There are known to be 17 Parsonages. Of those reported, seven are in good, one in bad, condition; three need repairs to make them comfortable; three are uninsured, and seven are insured at an average of \$1,750 each.

CHURCH BUILDINGS.

These are generally in good order. Eight of those reported have no insurance, and twelve are insured at an average of \$3,000 each.

SALARIES OF CLERGY.

Two Parishes are *painfully* in arrears; two or three others behindhand. The average of nineteen salaries is about \$650.

Altogether, these reports show an improvement in the promptness, the care, and business management of Vestries.

Next year our statistics must be relied upon in order to make report to the General Convention. A better exhibit is earnestly to be desired.

CLERICAL REPORTS.

The undersigned respectfully presents the following report as Principal of the "Bishop's Schools."

Total number of names on the roll	37	— Boys	19,	girls	18
Present	"	"	"	"	"
"	"	"	communicants	10	— " 5, " 5
Number confirmed during past year	2	—	"	1,	" 1
"	of candidates for confirmation	1	—	"	0, " 1
"	" teachers	3	— Male	1,	female 2

He has also assisted the Rev. Dr. Wilson from time to time, and once, during his absence, buried an infant.

J. W. TURNER.

The undersigned respectfully reports to his Diocesan, that continued disability has prevented him from the regular discharge of clerical duty during the past Conventional year.

PERRYMANSVILLE, *May*, 1876.

E. G. PERRYMAN.

APPENDIX.

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN, DIOCESE OF EASTON.

The Sixth Annual Report of the Officers and Managers of the Home for Friendless Children is hereby submitted to the Convention of the Diocese of Easton.

The children have been blessed with remarkably good health,—no serious case of sickness having occurred during the year. One child has been received into the Home, and one of the larger girls has been placed in a family where we are assured that the religious training begun at the Institution will be carried on and perfected.

Since the last Convention, the clothing of three more children has been provided for, outside of the Home—one being clothed in Wicomico County, one by a lady of St. Michael's, and another by a society of children in Wye Parish. The Earnest Workers of St. Michael's continue to render us most efficient aid. By order of the Board, a letter of condolence was addressed to the parents of Miss Nannie Hahn, who was the originator of the society, and whose death occurred during the spring in Chester County, Penna.

The enclosure about the grounds which was in contemplation last year has been completed, and adds greatly to the appearance of the Institution.

We are sorry to say that the Parishes at a distance appear to feel less interest in the success of this Diocesan work; at least their contributions are very sensibly diminished. We now have an empty treasury, and several applications which we *must* refuse, unless assured of the means to maintain the little ones. By careful attention to the report of the Treasurer, which is herewith submitted, it will be seen that the amounts expended for clothing and supplies are as small as possible, consistently with the physical welfare of the inmates, and we hope every member of the Diocese will try to realize the responsibility resting upon him for the success of this important Church work.

Subjoined is a list of boxes received, and of Parishes in which a child is clothed.

All which is respectfully submitted.

D. CORNELIA DAWSON, *Corresponding Sec'y.*

ELIZA W. LAY, *President.*



LIST OF PARISHES IN WHICH A CHILD IS CLOTHED.

St. Mary Anne's Parish, Cecil Co., one child.
 Great Choptank Parish, Dorchester Co., one child.
 Shrewsbury Parish, Kent Co., one child.
 St. Michael's Parish, Talbot Co., three children.
 Whitemarsh Parish, Talbot Co., one child.
 St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's Co., one child.
 Princess Anne, Somerset Co., one child.
 St. Augustine Parish, Cecil Co., one child.
 Salisbury, Wicomico Co., one child.
 Two young ladies of Baltimore, one child.
 Two young ladies of Port Deposit, one child.
 Some ladies of Elkton, one child.
 Happy Thought Society, Wye Parish, one child.
 North Sassafras Parish, one child.
 Chester Parish, Kent Co., one child.

LIST OF PROVISIONS, ETC., CONTRIBUTED.

One wagon-load provisions at Thanksgiving from Centreville, Queen Anne's Co.
 One wagon-load provisions at same time from All Saints' Church.
 One box provisions and dry goods, Elkton.
 One barrel flour, Elkton.
 One box provisions and dry goods, East New Market.
 One barrel of sundries, Berlin.
 One box provisions, &c., Port Deposit.
 One box canned fruit, St. Mary's Church, Newtown.
 One box preserves and sundries from St. Stephen's Church, Somerset Co.
 One barrel flour from an individual of Wye Parish.
 Provisions at various times from Wye Parish.

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MISS M. E. RINGGOLD.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT FOR HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN.

Subscriptions from Parishes.

Cecil County, St. Mary Anne Parish, North East.....	\$ 26 08	
" " North Sassafras Parish.....	61 91	
" " St. James' Church, Port Deposit.....	25 00	
" " Trinity Church, Elkton.....	2 00	
Total from Cecil County.....		\$114 99
Kent County, Shrewsbury Parish.....	\$ 12 00	
Total from Kent County.....		12 00
Queen Anne's County, St. Paul's Parish, Centreville....	\$ 35 50	
Total from Queen Anne's County ...		35 50
Caroline County, Church Holy Trinity, Greensborough...	\$ 15 75	
Total from Caroline County.....		15 75
Talbot County, St. Peter's Church, Easton.....	\$167 49	
" " St. Michael's Parish, Christ Church.....	\$45 45	
" " St. Michael's Parish, St. John's Chapel.....	38 36	
Total St. Michael's Parish...		83 81
" " All Saints' Church.....	34 19	
" " Whitemarsh Parish, St. Paul's Church..	28 59	
" " Wye Parish.....	11 00	
Total from Talbot County.....		325 08

Dorchester County, East New Market Parish.....	\$ 10 75	
“ “ Vienna Parish.....	1 50	
“ “ Great Choptank Parish.	61 15	
“ “ Grace Church, Taylor's Island.....	7 00	
Total from Dorchester County..		8
Somerset County, Somerset Parish.....	\$ 11 00	
“ “ Coventry Parish, St. Mark's Church..	5 00	
Total from Somerset Parish.....		1
Worcester County, Worcester Parish, Berlin.....	\$ 84 32	
“ “ All Hallows Parish, Snow Hill.....	11 85	
“ “ St. Mary's Parish, Newtown.....	30 00	
Total from Worcester County.....		7
Total from Counties..		\$67
Balance Cash on hand from last report.....	\$ 808 93	
Appropriation from Legislature...	1000 00	
Interest on Loan of \$5000.....	800 00	
Dividend on Masonic Stock.....	30 00	
Donation from Methodist Sunday School.....	80 30	
Miscellaneous receipts	20 15	
		228
Total receipts year ending June 1st, 1876....		\$290

Expenditures.

Matron's salary \$200, balance on last year \$50	\$ 250 00
Assistant Matron's salary \$120, balance on last year \$34	154 00
Wages	40 00
Fuel, coal \$60, wood \$87.03	147 03
Supplies.....	479 69
Clothing	126 96
Medicines	4 93
Cow-house, fencing, &c..	200 80
Furniture	205 50
Insurance	82 25
General expenses.....	187 61
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Total current expenses.....	\$1828 77
Invested in Masonic stock	1000 00
Balance cash in bank, June 1st, 1876... ..	81 00
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	\$2909

E. A. GOLDSBOROUGH, *Treasurer.*EASTON, *June 1st, 1876.*

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

To the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Easton.

GENTLEMEN:—The receipts of the past year, from subscriptions and investments, are herewith reported.

The showing is worse than usual. Many of the subscribers are running more and more in arrear. The amount due December 1, 1875, was over eleven thousand dollars. Little more than two thousand of this large sum has been paid in.

The dues of delinquents, it is seen, exceed \$8,000.

What is to be done? Will the parishes in default suffer this reproach to rest upon them till the ten years run out, with the inevitable consequence, to the Diocese, of loss of most of the debts?

In many of the cases suit should be ordered at once, if anything is to be saved — unless the Convention, in its wisdom, devise a better way.

Investments before reported..... \$31,324 27

RECEIPTS.

On eighth annual installment, with arrearages	\$2,202 00	
Balance at last report	799 87	
	<hr/>	\$3,001 87

EXPENSES.

Paid O. Tilghman, special collector.....	\$27 00
For stamps, stationery, &c.....	20 00

INVESTED.

\$1,000 Indianapolis Water Bond	\$1,085 00
\$1,000 Norfolk Water Bond.....	1,080 00
Balance on hand.....	839 87
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	\$3,001 87

INTEREST AND DIVIDEND RECEIPTS.

On investments	\$1,796 01
On subscription account.....	643 18
On hand at last report.	969 49
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	\$3,408 68

DISBURSED.

In payment of the Bishop's salary.....	\$2,500 00
Leaving in hand to pay the salary of the Bishop....	908 68
	<hr/>
	\$3,408 68

June 7th, 1876.

I. L. ADKINS, *Treasurer.*

The Trustees respectfully submit the Treasurer's Report.

Payments of annual dues, and of accumulated past dues, have seriously fallen off. It is earnestly desired that the Convention shall mature some plan to secure, before it is too late, some part of the over-dues of each parish. Many of the accounts, aggregating so large a sum, might be saved by steady effort on the part of Rectors and Vestries, without recourse to law. But legal remedy must be resorted to if the parish authorities do not take the matter promptly in hand.

Every delegate, clerical and lay, surely will go from the Convention impressed with the importance of giving some time and attention to this matter during the summer.

Settlements can often be effected by notes well secured, when money is not to be had.

Mr. Oswald Tilghman visited some of the upper parishes as a special agent. Though no large payments were made to him, some good resulted, it is believed, in the stirring up of an interest in places where the whole thing seemed to have been forgotten. Rectors and parish collectors co-operated with him, rendering needed assistance when possible, and it has not been heard that objection was made to his canvassing communities on this behalf.

RICHARD B. CARMICHAEL,
W. S. WALKER,
GEO. R. GOLDSBOROUGH,
CHARLES LOWNDES,
L. L. ADKINS.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE CLERGY RELIEF FUND.

The Trustees of the Clergy Relief Fund of the Diocese of Easton respectfully report that this fund is steadily, though slowly, augmenting. They refer to the report of the Treasurer, herewith submitted.

Had it been in our power to give anything away, we would gladly, during the year past, have made some appropriations. There are cases of sickness and distress to which distinct allusion need not be made, which appeal to our liveliest sympathy. The Bishop has been greatly burdened by endeavoring to find here and there the means which were absolutely necessary to be found.

But the Trustees are united in the opinion that it is best to collect, invest and re-invest the interest, through a series of years, until at last these small accumulations shall amount to such a sum as will afford a yearly income in some sort adequate to the needs of the sick and disabled clergy.

HENRY C. LAY,
ROBERT WILSON,
ERASTUS F. DASHIELL.

EASTON, *June 7th*, 1876.

To the Trustees of the Clergy Relief Fund:

The Treasurer of "the Clergy Relief Fund" of the Diocese of Easton submits the following report:—

1875. May 31.	Amount on hand at last report.....	\$261 49
<i>Contributions from Parishes and Churches since last Report.</i>		
June 1.	From St. Mary's Chapel, Caroline Co.	\$1 00
" 7.	" St. James' Church, Port Deposit.	8 00
" "	" All Hallows' Parish.....	8 35

June 7.	From Trinity Parish.	1 25	
" "	" St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's.	22 25	
" "	" East New Market Parish.	2 50	
" "	" All Saints' Church, Talbot Co..	29 06	
July 16	" St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's.	5 00	
" "	Amount of contributions to this		
	date	————	72 41
Aug 14	" Dividend collected	\$4 00	
1876 Feby.	" "	9 00	
	Amount of Dividends collected.	————	18 00
June 3	Making the sum total received to date		<u>\$346 90</u>
Of this amount has been invested in stock of "the Masonic Hall			
	Association of Easton"		\$300 00
	Leaving on hand a balance of		\$46 90

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD L. F. HARDCASTLE, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF TREASURER OF DIOCESAN MISSION BOARD.

The Board of Diocesan Missions, in account with I. L. ADKINS, Treasurer.

1875-6. Dr.		1875-6. Cr.	
To Cash paid draft—		By balance at last report.....	
July 2. E. J. Stearns.....	875 00	By cash from—	
" 2. John Croedale.....	100 00	Je to April Trinity Parish.....	900 00
" 5. John Martin.....	75 00	Je to Jan 7 All Hallows Parish.....	50 10
" 5. J. W. Hoskins.....	75 00	Je to April Chester Parish.....	81 47
" 10. Ed. Totten.....	50 00	Je to May Spring Hill Parish.....	40 00
" 15. D. M. Kilwood.....	75 00	Je to Mch St. Paul's Parish, Q. A. .	127 37
" 25. W. A. Schubert.....	50 00	Je to April St. Mary Anne's Parish..	52 70
" 27. G. F. Beavan.....	50 00	Je to Mch St. Mary's Wh. Chapel..	38 31
Oct 2. E. J. Stearns.....	75 00	Je to April Great Choptank Parish	123 18
" 2. R. Totten.....	50 00	Je to Mch St. John's Parish, Car	40 00
" 5. D. M. Kilwood.....	75 00	July to Ap. Wye Parish.....	108 75
" 5. G. F. Beavan.....	50 00	July to Ap. St. Michael's Parish.....	116 28
" 11. John Croedale.....	100 00	July to Ap. St. Peter's Parish.....	284 75
" 11. John Martin.....	75 00	July to Ap. Shrewsbury Parish.....	30 14
" 25. J. W. Hoskins.....	75 00	Aug to Sep Worcester Parish.....	67 11
" 25. W. A. Schubert.....	50 00	Sep. to Dec. N. Bassafras Parish.....	50 00
Jan 2. W. A. Schubert.....	50 00	Sep. to Ap. St. Luke's Parish.....	31 16
" 2. G. F. Beavan.....	50 00	July to Mch. Pocomoke & Coventry..	100 00
" 5. D. M. Kilwood.....	75 00	Nov to Ap St. James, Pt. Deposit..	50 00
" 7. John Martin.....	75 00	Dec. to Ap. E. N. Market & Vienna..	35 04
" 7. J. W. Hoskins.....	75 00	Dec. to Ap. Somerset Parish.....	60 00
" 8. Ed. Totten.....	50 00	Jan to Mch. All Saints Ch.....	73 92
" 15. E. J. Stearns.....	75 00	Jan. to Ap. Whittemarsh Parish.....	34 15
" 20. J. Croedale.....	100 00	Feb. 24. St. Paul's Parish, Kent..	8 50
April 4. G. F. Beavan.....	50 00	April 18. North Kent Parish.....	12 87
" 4. D. M. Kilwood.....	75 00		\$1711 97
" 5. John Martin.....	75 00	By collections at Episcopal visitations, from—	
" 7. E. J. Stearns.....	75 00	St. Peter's Parish.....	\$16 11
" 7. Ed. Totten.....	50 00	St. Mary Anne's Parish.....	12 37
" 15. J. W. Hoskins.....	75 00	Dorchester Parish.....	4 59
25. John Croedale.....	100 00	Pocomoke and Coventry Parishes	2 00
	\$3150 00	Somerset Parish.....	12 65
Balance on hand.....	120 25	Whittemarsh Parish.....	3 77
		St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's...	6 26
		All Hallows Parish.....	4 61
		Worcester Parish.....	6 00
		St. Augustine Parish.....	2 55
		St. John's Parish, Carolina.....	4 30
		Wye Parish.....	8 16
		North Bassafras Parish.....	8 78
		All Saints Church.....	10 05
		St. James' Church, Pt. Deposit....	3 75
			\$115 27
		By special contributions, from—	
		St. Michael's Parish.....	\$58 25
		Rev. Dr. Allen, through Registrar	
		of Diocese.....	6 22
		Miss Betts.....	30 00
		Greensboro', through Miss Betts....	10 00
		St. Peter's Parish.....	27 00
		Somerset Parish.....	10 00
			\$120 67
	\$3270 25		\$2270 25

The Board of Missions of the Diocese respectfully report that during the past year they have employed the same eight missionaries, whose names were given in their report to the Convention of 1875, and have paid to them the same stipends.

Our treasury has at one time been empty, but we have succeeded in paying all stipends for services up to the first of July, and there is a balance in the treasury of \$120. We shall need \$400 to meet our July payment.

We look with anxiety to the payments to be made on the first of October. Collections are apt to be omitted or to fall off in the summer months more than at any other period of the year. We beg the Clergy to be mindful of our necessities.

We have received a communication from the Vestry of Coventry Parish, gratefully acknowledging the assistance we have given them and the benefits which have accrued thereby. They declare their purpose to put forth greater efforts in the future, and request us to reduce one-half the appropriation now made to them.

We have deemed it necessary to reduce the appropriation to Port Deposit from \$300 to \$200.

In view of the distinctive missionary character of the work about to be undertaken by the Bishop in the town of Easton, and of the relief that may be afforded to him by some one to assist him in his office work, we have determined, if the new congregation shall be accepted by the Convention, to appropriate \$300 to the Bishop's chaplain hereafter to be appointed.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

For the Committee,
EASTON, June 7, 1876.

THEO. P. BARBER,
Secretary.

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

1875.	June 3.	To Cash paid Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, balance due on travelling expenses for 1874-5	\$200 00	June 2.	Balance in bank.....	\$43 49
"	"	" " " Rev. J. L. Bryan, M. D., per order of Convention	25 00	"	3. By cash of Rev. Dr. Stearns, Chairman of Committee on Parochial Contributions.	544 47
"	"	" " " Rev. J. A. Mitchell for Sexton, per order of Convention.....	10 00	"	4. By check of G. R. Goldsborough, Esq., for \$65.00, being in full for expenses assessed for General Convention for 1874, and for present assessment.	65 00
July 27.	To check to N. Matthews, on account of General Convention.....	20 04	"	4. By post office order from Rev. W. Fulton, D. D., on account of Spring Hill Parish, Wicomico Co.....	30 00	
"	To cash paid the Bishop, the Rev. Mr. J. Crosdale's order, on account of expenses attending Diocesan Missions	5 00	"	4. By cash of Judge Carmichael, of Wye Parish, on account of former assessments.....	13 60	
Aug. 23.	To cash paid Messrs. Innes & Co, by order on Messrs. Part & Son, for printing Journal...	206 05		Balance due Treasurer.....	76 99	
"	To check to Rev. J. L. Bryan, M. D., for bill of expenses received this day.....	7 03				
Oct. 23.	" " Rev. Mr. E. F. Dashiell, for expenses attending meeting of Standing Committee, as per bill.....	16 03			\$778 55	
1876.	Jan. 13.	To check to Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, on account of travelling expenses for 1875-6	150 02			
Mar. 17.	" " Rev. Mr. T. P. Barber, in full of bill of expenses attending meetings of Board of Examiners and Standing Committee.....	8 10				
"	18.	" " I. L. Adkins, M. D., in full of Rev. Mr. J. Crosdale's order on account of expenses.....	15 02			
May 1.	To cash paid for postal cards, and printing circular on the same.....	1 65				
"	24.	To check to Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, for balance of travelling expenses for last year ending 1st of June, 1876.....	100 02			
			\$778 55			

To meet the above deficiency there remains due from the different parishes and churches, for the last two years, \$171.17, All of which is respectfully submitted.

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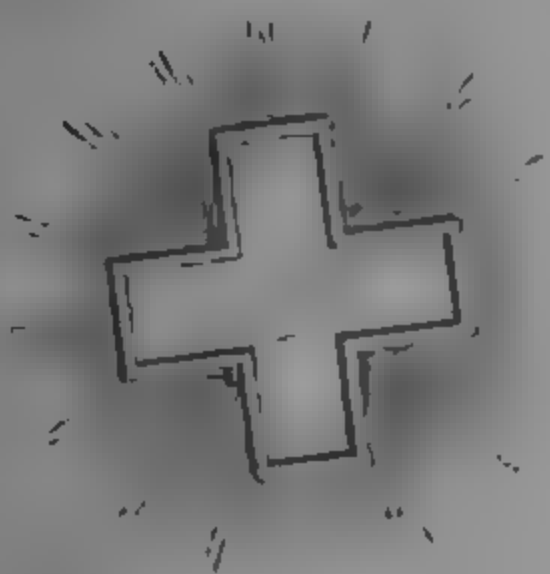
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Bishop of Easton.

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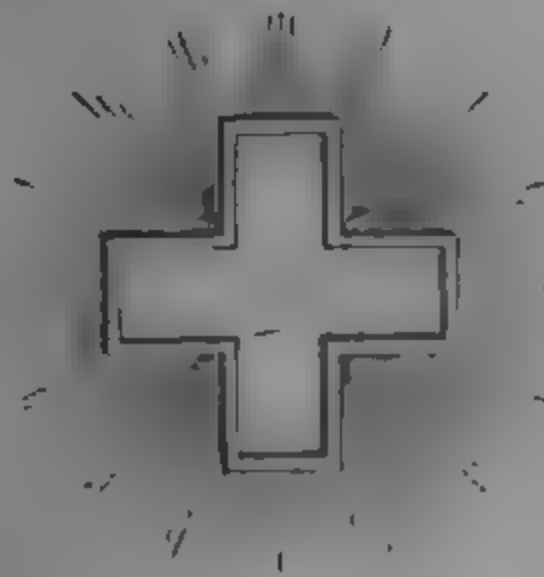
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MEETINGS OF CONVOCATIONS.

NORTHERN.

REV. LEWIS WALKER, *Dean*.

Shrewsbury, Tuesday, August 21st. North Sassafras, Tuesday, January 15th. North Elk, Tuesday, April 23d.

MIDDLE.

REV. THEO. P. BARBER, *Dean*.

St. Luke's, Queen Anne's, Tuesday, Sept. 18th. St. Michael's, Tuesday, February 12th. St. Paul's, Queen Anne's, Tuesday, May 14th.

SOUTHERN.

REV. JOHN CROSDALE, D. D., *Dean*.

Pocomoke, Tuesday, November 20th. All Hallows, Tuesday, February 19th. Worcester, Tuesday, May 7th.

HOME OF THE FRIENDLESS.

Applications for admission to the Home for Friendless Children must be made, in writing, to the President of the Board, Mrs. HENRY C. LAY; or to the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. M. M. DAWSON, Easton, Talbot County, Md.

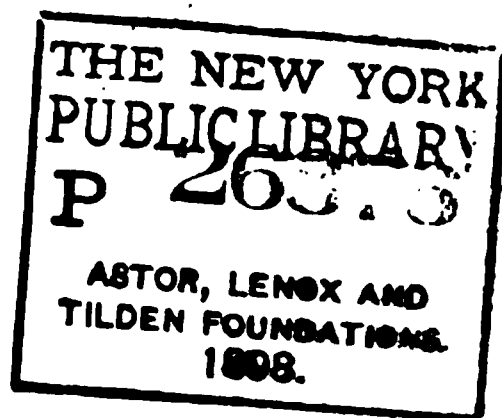
Boxes of supplies should be marked with the name of the Parish, and directed to the "Home for Friendless Children, Easton, Md."

DIOCESAN TREASURERS.

The Bishop requests that remittances for Diocesan purposes may be made, not to him, but directly to the several Treasurers, the post office of all of them being EASTON, MARYLAND. These are:

THOMAS HUGHLETT,	Treasurer of Convention.
ISAAC L. ADKINS,	" Episcopal Fund.
ISAAC L. ADKINS,	" Diocesan Missions.
E. L. F. HARDCASTLE,	" Clergy Relief.
Mrs. E. A. GOLDSBOROUGH, . .	" Home for Friendless Children.

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LIST OF THE CLERGY
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••• Those whose names are in *italics*, are not entitled to a seat in the Convention, and those marked with an * did not attend its sessions.

- Rt. Rev. HENRY C. LAY, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese.
 Rev. *JOHN CROSDALE, D. D., Rector of Pocomoke Parish.
 “ THEO. P. BARBER, D. D., Rector of Great Choptank Parish.
 “ **John A. Thompson*, residing on Kent Island.
 “ ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, Rector of St. Michael's Parish.
 “ *GEORGE F. BEAVEN, Rector of St. John's Parish.
 “ JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D., Deacon, Ass't Min. of Great Choptank Parish.
 “ **Thomas L. Green*, residing at Church Hill.
 “ *JOSEPH N. WATTSON, Rector of North Kent Parish.
 “ *JOHN O. BARTON, D. D., Rector of Somerset Parish.
 “ WILLIAM FULTON, D. D., Rector of Spring Hill Parish.
 “ JAMES A. MITCHELL, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's Co.
 “ *ROBERT WILSON, M. D., Rector of St. Peter's Parish.
 “ *JOHN MARTIN, Rector of Shrewsbury Parish.
 “ E. J. STEARNS, D. D., Rector of St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.
 “ *WILLIAM B. EVERETT, M. D., Rector of Wye Parish.
 “ GEORGE S. FITZHUGH, Rector of Whitemarsh Parish.
 “ **Edward G. Perryman*, residing in Baltimore.
 “ *JAMES W. HOSKINS, Rector of E. New Market and Vienna Parishes.
 “ STEPHEN C. ROBERTS, Rector of Chester Parish.
 “ *C. H. WILLIAMSON, M. D., Rector of All Hallows' Parish.
 “ HENRY A. SKINNER, Rector of Trinity Parish.
 “ **Joseph W. Turner*, residing in Ripley, Miss.
 “ *LEWIS WALKE, Rector of North Sassafras Parish.
 “ SEWELL S. HEPBRON, Rector of St. Paul's, Kent Co., & I. U. Parishes.
 “ E. K. MILLER, Rector of North Elk or St. M. Anne's Parish.
 “ *PHILIP D. THOMPSON, Rector of Christ Church Parish.
 “ **Pierre Du Gué Trapier*.
 “ **Richard Totten*, residing in Louisville, Ky.
 “ CHARLES E. MILNOR, Rector of Worcester Parish.
 “ W. Y. BEAVEN, Missionary in Talbot Co.
 “ GEORGE W. EASIER, Rector of St. James, Port Deposit.
 “ *William G. Davenport*, Rector of St. Luke's, Queen Anne's Co.
 “ *William W. Green*, Rector of Dorchester Parish.

In all, the Bishop, 31 Priests, and 2 Deacons=34.

LIST OF CLERGY,
WITH POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

- 1 The Rt. Rev. HENRY C. LAY, D. D., Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
- 2 " Rev. THEODORE P. BARBER, D. D., Cambridge, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 3 " " JOHN O. BARTON, Princess Anne, Somerset Co., Md.
- 4 " " GEORGE F. BEAVEN, Hillsborough, Caroline Co., Md.
- 5 " " W. Y. BEAVEN, Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
- 6 " " JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D., Cambridge, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 7 " " JOHN CROSDALE, D. D., Newtown, Worcester Co., Md.
- 8 " " ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, St. Michael's, Talbot Co., Md.
- 9 " " W. G. DAVENPORT, Church Hill, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 10 " " GEO. W. EASTER, Port Deposit, Cecil Co., Md.
- 11 " " WM. B. EVERETT, M. D., Wye Mills, Talbot Co., Md.
- 12 " " GEORGE S. FITZHUGH, Trappe, Talbot Co., Md.
- 13 " " WILLIAM FULTON, D. D., Salisbury, Wicomico Co., Md.
- 14 " " THOS. L. GREEN, Church Hill, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 15 " " WM. W. GREEN, Church Creek, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 16 " " SEWELL S. HEPBRON, Fairleigh, Kent Co., Md.
- 17 " " JAS. W. HOSKINS, East Newmarket, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 18 " " JOHN MARTIN, Locust Grove, Kent Co., Md.
- 19 " " ENOCH K. MILLER, North-East, Cecil Co., Md.
- 20 " " CHARLES E. MILNOR, Berlin, Worcester Co., Md.
- 21 " " JAS. A. MITCHELL, Centreville, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 22 " " EDWARD G. PERRYMAN, Perrymansville, Harford Co., Md.
- 23 " " STEPHEN C. ROBERTS, Chestertown, Kent Co., Md.
- 24 " " HENRY A. SKINNER, Elkton, Cecil Co., Md.
- 25 " " EDWARD J. STEARNS, D. D., Denton, Caroline Co., Md.
- 26 " " JOHN A. THOMPSON, Kent Island, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 27 " " PHILIP D. THOMPSON, Kent Island, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 28 " " RICHARD TOTTEN, Longwoods, Talbot Co., Md.
- 29 " " PIERRE DU GUÉ TRAPIER.
- 30 " " JOSEPH W. TURNER, Ripley, Miss.
- 31 " " JOSEPH N. WATTSON, Massey's, Kent Co., Md.
- 32 " " LEWIS WALKE, Cecilton, Cecil Co., Md.
- 33 " " CHAS. H. WILLIAMSON, M. D., Snow Hill, Worcester Co., Md.
- 34 " " ROBERT WILSON, M. D., Easton, Talbot Co., Md.

LIST
OF
PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS IN THE DIOCESE OF
EASTON, WITH THE CLERGY OF THE SAME;
AND OF
LAY DELEGATES TO THE NINTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

Lay Delegates marked with an * did not attend.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

	<i>Lay Delegates.</i>
St. John's Parish.	
St. Paul's Church, Hillsborough,	
Church of the Holy Trinity, Greensborough,	
Rev. George F. Beaven, Rector.	Jas. M. Wooters.
St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish,	
Christ Church, Denton,	
Rev. Edw. J. Stearns, D. D., Rector.	* Jas. B. Steele.

CECIL COUNTY.

Augustine Parish.	
St. Augustine Church.	
North Elk or St. Mary Anne's Parish.	
St. Mary Anne's Church, Northeast,	
St. Mark's Chapel, Perryville,	
Rev. Enoch K. Miller, Rector.	Henry S. Coudon.
North Sassafras Parish.	
St. Stephen's Church,	
Rev. Lewis Walke, Rector.	J. C. Crookshank.
Trinity Parish.	
Trinity Church, Elkton,	
Rev. Henry A. Skinner, Rector.	R. C. Mackall, M. D.
St. James' Church.	
St. James' Church, Post Deposit,	
Rev. Geo. W. Easter, Rector.	H. L. Physic.

*Diocesan Convention of Easton.***DORCHESTER COUNTY.****Dorchester Parish.**

Trinity Church, Church Creek,
 Grace Church, Taylor's Island,
 Rev. W. W. Green, Rector.

Lay Delegates.

Wm. W. Mace.

East New Market Parish.

St. Stephen's Church, East New Market,
 Rev. Jas. W. Hoskins, Rector.

Thos. J. Hicks.

Great Choptank Parish.

Christ Church, Cambridge,
 St. John's Chapel, Castle Haven Neck,
 Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., Rector.
 Rev. Jas. L. Bryan, M. D., Deacon,
 Assistant Minister.

Wm. R. Hayward, M. D.

D. M. Henry.

Vienna Parish.

St. Paul's Church, Vienna,
 Rev. Jas. W. Hoskins, Rector.

Eugene Hodson, M. D.

KENT COUNTY.**Chester Parish.**

St. Paul's Church, Chestertown,
 Rev. Stephen C. Roberts, Rector.

Wm. S. Walker.

I. U. Parish.

Christ Church,
 Rev. Sewell S. Hepbron, Rector.

Sewell Hepbron.

North Kent Parish.

St. Clement's Church, Massey's,
 — Chapel, Millington,
 Rev. Jos. N. Wattson, Rector.

St. Paul's Parish.

St. Paul's Church,
 Rev. Sewell S. Hepbron, Rector.

Shrewsbury Parish.

Shrewsbury Church,
 — Chapel, Galena,
 Rev. John Martin, Rector.

* J. M. Armstrong.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.**Christ Church Parish.**

Christ Church, Kent Island,
 Rev. Philip D. Thompson, Rector.

* Ed. C. Legg.

St. Luke's Parish.

St. Luke's Church, Church Hill,
 Rev. W. G. Davenport, Rector.

Jos. E. George.

St. Paul's Parish.

St. Paul's Church, Centreville,
 Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell, Rector.

Rich'd T. Earle, Sr.

List of Parishes, &c.

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QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT COUNTIES.

Wye Parish.

Lay Delegates.

St. Luke's Church, Queenstown,

St. Luke's Chapel, Wye,

Rev. Wm. B. Everett, M. D., Rector. R. B. Carmichael.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Coventry Parish.

Rehoboth Church, Rehoboth,

St. Paul's Church, Annamessex,

St. Mark's Church, Kingston,

St. Stephen's Church, Fairmount,

Rev. John Crosdale, D. D.,

Minister in charge.

* Geo. R. Dennis, M. D.

Somerset Parish.

All Saints' Church, Monie, .

St. Andrew's Church, Princess Anne,

Rev. John O. Barton, Rector.

Levin Woolford.

Wicomico Parish.

Grace Church.

SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

Pocomoke Parish.

St. Mary's Church, Newtown,

St. Stephen's Chapel, Naswaddux,

Rev. John Crosdale, D. D., Rector.

S. S. McMaster.

TALBOT COUNTY.

St. Michael's Parish.

St. Michael's Church, St. Michael's,

St. John's Church, Miles River Ferry,

St. Paul's Chapel, Royal Oak,

Rev. Erastus F. Dashiell, Rector.

Geo. R. Goldsborough.

All Saints' Parish, (Provisional.)

All Saints' Church, Longwoods,

In charge of the Bishop.

St. Peter's Parish.

Christ Church, Easton,

Rev. Robt. Wilson, M. D., Rector.

I. L. Adkins, M. D.

Church of the Holy Trinity, Oxford.

Whitemarsh Parish.

St. Peter's Church, Whitemarsh,

St. Paul's Church, Trappe,

Rev. Geo. S. Fitzhugh, Rector.

John W. Martin.

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

Trinity Cathedral.

Lay Delegates.

Trinity Chapel,

Chapel of the Holy Cross, Easton Point,

The Bishop, Rector.

Rev. W. Y. Beaven, Asst. Minister.

WICOMICO COUNTY.

St. Matthew's Parish.

St. Matthew's Church.

Spring Hill Parish.

St. Peter's Church,

St. Peter's Chapel, Salisbury, •

St. Philip's Chapel, Quantico,

Rev. William Fulton, D. D., Rector. L. R. Humphreys.

Stepney Parish.

Stepney Church, Green Hill,

St. Mary's Chapel, Tyaskin.

WORCESTER COUNTY.

All Hallows' Parish.

All Hallows' Church, Snow Hill,

St. John's Church, Traptown,

Chapel of the Holy Cross, Sandy Hill,

Rev. C. H. Williamson, M. D., Rector. * John J. Collins.

Worcester Parish.

St. Paul's Church, Berlin,

St. Martin's Church, St. Martin,

Rev. Charles E. Milnor, Rector.

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Treasurer Clergy Relief Fund, Easton, Md

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Registrar of the Diocese, Cambridge, Md.

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Ecclesiastical Court :

the Rev. Joseph N. Wattson, the Rev. James A. Mitchell, the Rev. S. C. Roberts.

Trustees of the Episcopal Fund :

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The Board of Examiners in Theology :

the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., the Rev. E. F. Dashiell.

Trustees of the Clergy Relief Fund :

the Bishop (President *ex-officio*), the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, the Rev. Robert Wilson, M. D., and Messrs. E. L. F. Hardcastle and John C. Earle, M. D.

Deputies to the General Convention :

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RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.
2. This Convention shall sit for the dispatch of business, beginning with Divine service, at such hours as each Convention may determine.
3. At the opening of the session, the Convention shall be called to order by the Bishop; or, if there be no Bishop, or he be absent, by the President of the Standing Committee, or by some member of that body appointed by those of its members who may be present.
4. The names of the Clergymen, from a list furnished by the Bishop, and if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee, shall then be called over by the Secretary of the last Convention, or, in his absence, by some person appointed by the Bishop or other person who called the Convention to order. The Lay Delegates shall then lay their Certificates upon the table, and subscribe the Declaration required by the Constitution. If a quorum of both orders appear, the Bishop, if present, shall announce the fact, and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.
5. In case of the absence of the Bishop, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the person who called the Convention to order shall announce that there is a quorum present. The Convention shall then proceed to elect a President, according to the seventh article of the Constitution; who shall, so soon as his election is completed, take the chair and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.
6. The first business after that declaration is made, either by the Bishop or the President, shall be the election of a Secretary. The Chair may then appoint an Assistant Secretary and the Committees mentioned in the next Rule.
7. The following Committees shall be appointed by the Chair: One on Rights of Clergymen to Seats in this Convention, consisting of three Clergymen; one on Elections, to consist of three Laymen, to whom the testimonials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred; one on Accounts, to consist of three Laymen; one on Parochial Contributions and Assessments, to consist of one Clergyman and four Laymen; one on the Admission of New Parishes and Congregations into union with this Convention, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman; one on the Episcopal Fund, to consist of two Laymen and one Clergyman; and one on Canons and other business, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman. The Chair shall also appoint all other Committees for the appointment of which no other provision is made, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.
8. Every member shall take his seat when the President takes the chair, and remain uncovered until he shall have left the Convention.
9. Every member who shall speak in any debate, shall stand up in his place and respectfully address himself to the President.

10. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the President shall decide who shall speak first.

11. No member shall speak more than twice in any debate without leave. If any member shall rise to speak more than twice on the same question, without leave, the President shall call him to order. No member shall be interrupted while he is speaking in order.

12. Any member who is speaking shall take his seat when called to order by the President or any other member.

13. No member shall speak to another so as to interrupt any member who may be speaking in debate.

14. No motion shall be debated until the same shall be seconded, and, if desired by any member, reduced to writing and read by the Secretary.

15. When a motion is made and seconded, the matter of the motion shall receive a determination by the question, before any motion not privileged shall be received.

16. Privileged motions, in their order of precedence, shall be to adjourn, to postpone indefinitely, to lay on the table, to amend, and to offer a substitute; the question on the first three to be taken without debate.

17. If a question contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

18. All questions of Order shall be decided by the President; but there shall be a right of appeal to the Convention.

19. A question, being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not be again drawn into debate during the session, except with the consent of two-thirds of the Convention.

20. No question shall be taken on any Report, unless upon a motion to print or re-commit it; but Reports shall, as of course, lie upon the table. If a Committee deem any action of the Convention desirable, it shall be their duty to present in writing, such Resolutions, Acts or Canons as they may think it should adopt; which only shall be subject to the action of the Convention. Every act which divides a Parish, or in any way affects Parish Boundaries, shall distinctly set out the new Boundaries which it is intended to establish. The Convention will not act upon any proposed Resolution, Act, or Canon, which is not conformed to the provisions of this rule.

21. All Elections shall be by ballot, unless otherwise ordered; the votes of the Clergy and Laity shall be received and counted separately; but the vote shall be regarded as a joint one; and the election shall be decided by a majority of the whole number of votes taken together, unless a vote by Orders shall have been required, agreeably to the fifth article of the Constitution.

22. It shall be the order of the day at 12 M. on the second day of the session of the Convention, to elect the Standing Committee, and the other officers whom it is the duty of the Convention to appoint.

23. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions, until altered or rescinded; and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

THE NINTH ANNUAL CONVENTION *of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton*, assembled in Christ Church, Cambridge, on Wednesday, the sixth day of June, 1877, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. W. Y. Beaven and W. W. Green, and the Rev. Mr. Laird, of the Diocese of Maryland. The ante-communion service was said by the Rev. Mr. Dashiell; the Rev. Dr. Leeds, of the Diocese of Maryland, reading the Gospel.

The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. Henry J. Morton, D. D., from the Diocese of Pennsylvania, from 1 Tim. iii. 16.

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Bishop.

Divine Service concluded, the Right Rev. the President called the Convention to order. The Rev. Jas. L. Bryan, Secretary of the last Convention, proceeded to call the roll of Clergy entitled to seats, from a list furnished by the Bishop, when the following answered to their names:

The Rt. Rev. the Bishop,	
“ Rev. Dr. Barber,	
“ “ Mr. W. Y. Beaven,	
“ “ “ Bryan,	
“ “ “ Dashiell,	
“ “ “ Easter,	
“ “ “ Fitzhugh,	

The Rev. Dr. Fulton,	
“ “ Mr. Hepbron,	
“ “ “ Miller,	
“ “ “ Milnor,	
“ “ “ Roberts,	
“ “ “ Skinner,	
“ “ Dr. Stearns.	

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The Rev. Messrs. Davenport and W. W. Green were also present, although not entitled to seats.

The certificates of Lay Delegates being laid upon the Secretary's desk, the list of such Delegates was read, when the following were found to be present, viz :

Mr. Adkins,	Mr. Mace,
" Carmichael,	" Mackall,
" Condon,	" Martin,
" George,	" McMaster,
" Goldsborough,	" Physic,
" Hayward,	" Purnell,
" Henry,	" Walker,
" Hepbron,	" Woolford,
" Hodson,	" Wooters.
" Humphreys,	= 19

A quorum of both orders being present, the President announced that the Convention was duly organized, and that the first business in order was the election of a Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. Fulton nominated the Rev. Jas. L. Bryan, and there being no other nomination, an election by ballot was dispensed with, and the Rev. Mr. Bryan was re-elected.

The President appointed Mr. William S. Walker, Assistant Secretary.

The President announced the following Committees :

On Rights of Clergymen to Seats.—The Rev. Messrs. Roberts, Miller and Hepbron.

On Elections.—Messrs. Carmichael, Woolford and Hepbron.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barber, it was

Resolved, That the Clergymen from other Dioceses, who have favored us with their presence, Clergymen and Officers of this Diocese, not entitled to seats, together with the Vestry of this Parish, be invited to attend the sittings of this Convention.

Under this invitation, the Rev. Dr. Morton, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Leeds and the Rev. Mr. Laird, of the Diocese of Maryland, took seats in the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barber, it was

Resolved, That while the Convention deeply regret the absence of several brethren, providentially detained from the present session, our special sym-

pathy is due to the honored and loved Senior Presbyter, the Rev. Dr. Crosdale, now prostrated in severe illness, whose abundant labors and untiring zeal, and gentle spirit, have endeared him to the whole Diocese.

On motion, a standing vote of the Convention was taken, and a copy of the resolution ordered to be sent to the Rev. Dr. Crosdale.

It was ordered by the Convention, that the morning sessions begin at 9 o'clock, and end at 1 P. M., the afternoon at 4½ P. M. and the evening sessions at 8 P. M.

On motion, the Convention adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

4½ P. M.

The President called the Convention to order. The Rev. Mr. Mitchell was present, in addition to those attending the morning session.

The Rev. Mr. Roberts, from the Committee on Rights of Clergymen to Seats, reported the following list of Clergymen entitled to seats, viz: The Rt. Rev. Henry C. Lay, D. D., the Revs. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., John O. Barton, D. D., George F. Beaven, W. Y. Beaven, Jas. L. Bryan, John Crosdale, D. D., Erastus F. Dashiell, G. W. Easter, Wm. B. Everett, George S. Fitzhugh, Wm. Fulton, D. D., Sewell S. Hepbron, James W. Hoskins, John Martin, Enoch K. Miller, Chas. E. Milnor, Jas. A. Mitchell, Stephen C. Roberts, Henry A. Skinner, Edward J. Stearns, D. D., Philip D. Thompson, Jos. N. Wattson, Lewis Walke, Chas. H. Williamson, Robert Wilson.

Mr. Carmichael, from the Committee on Elections, reported the following Lay Delegates as entitled to seats, viz: Messrs. I. L. Adkins, J. M. Armstrong, R. B. Carmichael, John J. Collins, Henry S. Condon, J. C. Crookshank, Geo. R. Dennis, Richard T. Earle, Joseph E. George, Geo. R. Goldsborough, Daniel M. Henry, Wm. R. Hayward, Thos. J. Hicks, Eugene Hodson, Sewell Hepbron, Edw. C. Legg, Wm. W. Mace, R. C. Mackall,

John W. Martin, S. S. McMaster, J. S. Purnell, H. L. Physic, Jas. B. Steele, Levin Woolford, James M. Wooters, William S. Walker.

The President announced the following Committees :

On Accounts.—Messrs. George, Physic and Wooters.

On Parochial Contributions and Assessments.—The Rev. Mr. Mitchell, Messrs. Condon, Earle, Hayward and McMaster.

On the Episcopal Fund.—The Rev. Dr. Stearns, Messrs. Woolford and Mackall.

On Canons.—The Rev. Dr. Barber, the Rev. Dr. Fulton, and Mr. Henry.

On the State of the Church.—The Rev. Messrs. Dashiell, Roberts and Hepbron, and Messrs. Adkins and Goldsborough.

On the Admission of New Parishes.—The Rev. Mr. Skinner, Messrs. Purnell and Walker.

The Rev. Mr. Beaven presented the petition from Trinity Cathedral, Easton, for admission into union with this Convention, and, on motion, the petition was referred to the Committee on Admission of New Parishes.

Mr. Adkins presented the report of the Treasurer of the Convention, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Accounts. [See Appendix.]

The Rev. Mr. Dashiell presented the report of the Treasurer of the Clergy Relief Fund, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Accounts. [See Appendix.]

Mr. Carmichael, from the Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, presented their report, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Episcopal Fund. [See Appendix.]

The Rev. Mr. Beaven presented the report of the Board of Managers of the Home for Friendless Children. [See Appendix.]

The Rev. Dr. Barber, from the Committee on Canons, submitted the following resolution :

Resolved, That Article II. of the Constitution be amended by adding thereto the following words: "But in the event of epidemic disease, or for other serious cause, the Bishop, or in a vacancy of the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee, shall have power to change time and place of meeting."

On motion, the Resolution was referred back to the Committee on Canons.

On motion, the Convention adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

Evening prayer being said by the Rev. Messrs. Miller and Fitzhugh, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

The Bishop then read his Annual Address.

ADDRESS OF THE BISHOP.

BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:

Assembled once again to review the labours of a year, and to take counsel for the sacred interests entrusted to us, as we have cause to bow ourselves in all humility before God, so also have we abundant reasons to magnify His long-suffering and mercy.

We seem to have passed through a hard year in many respects. In going from one neighbourhood to another, I have found more people in trouble than ever before. Our laymen find it hard to adjust their scale of expenditure to the depreciated values and variable incomes of the times. It is not easy to measure the disquietude and unhappiness which broods over many a household, from the sense of an indebtedness which there is little hope of discharging. Not unfrequently have I found the clergy in heaviness by reason, now of the obstacles in their work, now of the *res angusta domi* which cripples their activity. Many of them have experience of that generous grief which comes from the inability to approach in practice one's ideal of effective work for God and for the souls of His children.

We have had enough of failure and disappointment to serve the necessary uses of the divine discipline: enough to make us realize that we are unprofitable servants, and to imprint deeply

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the Rev. John Crosdale, D. D., (President), Newtown; the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., (Secretary), Cambridge; the Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, the Rev. Robert Wilson, M. D.

Ecclesiastical Court:

the Rev. Joseph N. Wattson, the Rev. James A. Mitchell, the Rev. S. C. Roberts.

Trustees of the Episcopal Fund:

Messrs. Richard B. Carmichael, I. L. Adkins, M. D., H. H. Dashiell, Geo. R. Goldsborough, E. L. F. Hardcastle, Wm. S. Walker, Charles Lowndes.

Board of Diocesan Missions:

the Bishop of the Diocese (President), the Rev. Lewis Walke, the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. John Crosdale, D. D., Messrs. I. L. Adkins, M. D., (Treasurer), Jos. E. M. Chamberlaine, M. D.

Trustees of the General Theological Seminary:

the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, the Rev. Jos. N. Wattson, the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., the Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell.

The Board of Examiners in Theology :

the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D.
Rev. E. F. Dashiell.

Trustees of the Clergy Relief Fund :

the Bishop (President *ex-officio*), the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, the Rev.
Wilson, M. D., and Messrs. E. L. F. Hardcastle and John C
M. D.

Deputies to the General Convention :

Rev. John Crosdale, D. D., Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., Rev
Stearns, D. D., Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., Mr. Wm. S. Walk
R. C. Mackall, M. D., Mr. Isaac L. Adkins, M. D., Mr. C
Goldsborough.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.

2. This Convention shall sit for the dispatch of business, beginning with **Divine** service, at such hours as each Convention may determine.

3. At the opening of the session, the Convention shall be called to order by the Bishop; or, if there be no Bishop, or he be absent, by the President of the Standing Committee, or by some member of that body appointed by those of its members who may be present.

4. The names of the Clergymen, from a list furnished by the Bishop, and if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee, shall then be called over by the Secretary of the last Convention, or, in his absence, by some person appointed by the Bishop or other person who called the Convention to order. The Lay Delegates shall then lay their Certificates upon the table, and subscribe the Declaration required by the Constitution. If a quorum of both orders appear, the Bishop, if present, shall announce the fact, and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.

5. In case of the absence of the Bishop, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the person who called the Convention to order shall announce that there is a quorum present. The Convention shall then proceed to elect a President, according to the seventh article of the Constitution; who shall, so soon as his election is completed, take the chair and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.

6. The first business after that declaration is made, either by the Bishop or the President, shall be the election of a Secretary. The Chair may then appoint an Assistant Secretary and the Committees mentioned in the next Rule.

7. The following Committees shall be appointed by the Chair: One on Rights of Clergymen to Seats in this Convention, consisting of three Clergymen; one on Elections, to consist of three Laymen, to whom the testimonials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred; one on Accounts, to consist of three Laymen; one on Parochial Contributions and Assessments, to consist of one Clergyman and four Laymen; one on the Admission of New Parishes and Congregations into union with this Convention, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman; one on the Episcopal Fund, to consist of two Laymen and one Clergyman; and one on Canons and other business, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman. The Chair shall also appoint all other Committees for the appointment of which no other provision is made, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.

8. Every member shall take his seat when the President takes the chair, and remain uncovered until he shall have left the Convention.

9. Every member who shall speak in any debate, shall stand up in his place and respectfully address himself to the President.

10. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the President shall decide who shall speak first.

11. No member shall speak more than twice in any debate without leave. If any member shall rise to speak more than twice on the same question, without leave, the President shall call him to order. No member shall be interrupted while he is speaking in order.

12. Any member who is speaking shall take his seat when called to order by the President or any other member.

13. No member shall speak to another so as to interrupt any member who may be speaking in debate.

14. No motion shall be debated until the same shall be seconded, and, if desired by any member, reduced to writing and read by the Secretary.

15. When a motion is made and seconded, the matter of the motion shall receive a determination by the question, before any motion not privileged shall be received.

16. Privileged motions, in their order of precedence, shall be to adjourn, to postpone indefinitely, to lay on the table, to amend, and to offer a substitute; the question on the first three to be taken without debate.

17. If a question contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

18. All questions of Order shall be decided by the President; but there shall be a right of appeal to the Convention.

19. A question, being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not be again drawn into debate during the session, except with the consent of two-thirds of the Convention.

20. No question shall be taken on any Report, unless upon a motion to print or re-commit it; but Reports shall, as of course, lie upon the table. If a Committee deem any action of the Convention desirable, it shall be their duty to present in writing, such Resolutions, Acts or Canons as they may think it should adopt; which only shall be subject to the action of the Convention. Every act which divides a Parish, or in any way affects Parish Boundaries, shall distinctly set out the new Boundaries which it is intended to establish. The Convention will not act upon any proposed Resolution, Act, or Canon, which is not conformed to the provisions of this rule.

21. All Elections shall be by ballot, unless otherwise ordered; the votes of the Clergy and Laity shall be received and counted separately; but the vote shall be regarded as a joint one; and the election shall be decided by a majority of the whole number of votes taken together, unless a vote by Orders shall have been required, agreeably to the fifth article of the Constitution.

22. It shall be the order of the day at 12 M. on the second day of the session of the Convention, to elect the Standing Committee, and the other officers whom it is the duty of the Convention to appoint.

23. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions, until altered or rescinded; and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

St. Michael's Parish,	9
St. Peter's Parish,	17
Whitemarsh Parish,	10
Trinity Cathedral,	4
All Saints' Church,	1
Spring Hill Parish,	10
All Hallows' Parish,	2

Being in all one hundred and sixty-four.

DIOCESAN OFFICERS.

I have confirmed the nominations made to me by the several Convocations, as follows : Rev. John Crosdale, D. D., Dean of the Southern Convocation ; Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., Dean of the Middle Convocation ; and the Rev. Lewis Walke, Dean of the Northern Convocation.

I re-appoint as Examining Chaplains the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., and the Rev. E. F. Dashiell.

CANONICAL NOTICES.

I have given my official consent to the consecration of the Rt. Rev. William Stevens Perry, D. D., Bishop of Iowa, the Rt. Rev. C. Clifton Penick, D. D., Miss. Bishop to Africa, and the Rev. Samuel I. J. Schereschewsky, D. D., Miss. Bishop-elect to China.

I have received notices of deposition from the ministry, as follows : John R. Furey, Deacon, deposed by the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania ; John Flanagan, Deacon, by the Bishop of Indiana ; Alonzo M. May, Presbyter, Robert Trewartha, Deacon, Gideon D. Sommons, Deacon, and William Thomas Campbell, Deacon, by the Bishop of Iowa ; William Alfred Jenks, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Massachusetts ; William T. Helm, Presbyter, by the Bishop of North Carolina ; J. Godfrey Jones, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Southern Ohio ; Henry J. Brown, Presbyter, and J. R. Swancoat, Deacon, by the Bishop of Texas ; Isaiah J. Babcock, Deacon, by the Bishop of Western Michigan ; and of Perceval Beckett, Presbyter, and Benjamin L. Seymour, Deacon, by the Bishop of Pittsburg.

CLERGY LIST.

I have given to the Rev. D. M. Ellwood, Letters Dimissory to

The certificates of Lay Delegates being laid upon the Secretary's desk, the list of such Delegates was read, when the following were found to be present, viz :

Mr. Adkins,
 " Carmichael,
 " Condon,
 " George,
 " Goldsborough,
 " Hayward,
 " Henry,
 " Hepbron,
 " Hodson,
 " Humphreys,

Mr. Mace,
 " Mackall,
 " Martin,
 " McMaster,
 " Physic,
 " Purnell,
 " Walker,
 " Woolford,
 " Wooters.

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A quorum of both orders being present, the President announced that the Convention was duly organized, and that the first business in order was the election of a Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. Fulton nominated the Rev. Jas. L. Bryan, and there being no other nomination, an election by ballot was dispensed with, and the Rev. Mr. Bryan was re-elected.

The President appointed Mr. William S. Walker, Assistant Secretary.

The President announced the following Committees :

On Rights of Clergymen to Seats.—The Rev. Messrs. Roberts, Miller and Hepbron.

On Elections.—Messrs. Carmichael, Woolford and Hepbron.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barber, it was

Resolved, That the Clergymen from other Dioceses, who have favored us with their presence, Clergymen and Officers of this Diocese, not entitled to seats, together with the Vestry of this Parish, be invited to attend the sittings of this Convention.

Under this invitation, the Rev. Dr. Morton, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Leeds and the Rev. Mr. Laird, of the Diocese of Maryland, took seats in the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barber, it was

Resolved, That while the Convention deeply regret the absence of several brethren, providentially detained from the present session, our special sym-

pathy is due to the honored and loved Senior Presbyter, the Rev. Dr. Crosdale, now prostrated in severe illness, whose abundant labors and untiring zeal, and gentle spirit, have endeared him to the whole Diocese.

On motion, a standing vote of the Convention was taken, and a copy of the resolution ordered to be sent to the Rev. Dr. Crosdale.

It was ordered by the Convention, that the morning sessions begin at 9 o'clock, and end at 1 P. M., the afternoon at 4½ P. M. and the evening sessions at 8 P. M.

On motion, the Convention adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

4½ P. M.

The President called the Convention to order. The Rev. Mr. Mitchell was present, in addition to those attending the morning session.

The Rev. Mr. Roberts, from the Committee on Rights of Clergymen to Seats, reported the following list of Clergymen entitled to seats, viz: The Rt. Rev. Henry C. Lay, D. D., the Revs. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., John O. Barton, D. D., George F. Beaven, W. Y. Beaven, Jas. L. Bryan, John Crosdale, D. D., Erastus F. Dashiell, G. W. Easter, Wm. B. Everett, George S. Fitzhugh, Wm. Fulton, D. D., Sewell S. Hepbron, James W. Hoskins, John Martin, Enoch K. Miller, Chas. E. Milnor, Jas. A. Mitchell, Stephen C. Roberts, Henry A. Skinner, Edward J. Stearns, D. D., Philip D. Thompson, Jos. N. Wattson, Lewis Walke, Chas. H. Williamson, Robert Wilson.

Mr. Carmichael, from the Committee on Elections, reported the following Lay Delegates as entitled to seats, viz: Messrs. I. L. Adkins, J. M. Armstrong, R. B. Carmichael, John J. Collins, Henry S. Condon, J. C. Crookshank, Geo. R. Dennis, Richard T. Earle, Joseph E. George, Geo. R. Goldsborough, Daniel M. Henry, Wm. R. Hayward, Thos. J. Hicks, Eugene Hodson, Sewell Hepbron, Edw. C. Legg, Wm. W. Mace, R. C. Mackall,

at Millington and Galena, in Kent ; at Naswaddux, in Wicomico ; at Easton, at Easton Point, and at Longwoods, in Talbot County.

Moreover, beginning with 15 Rectories in 1869, we have added four others, at North East, Elkton, Massey's and Whitemarsh, at an average cost of more than \$3000 each, while four others have been enlarged or much renovated. I consider that we have gained one-fourth in Rectories.

To sum it up, when we consider that the eight years in question have been characterized by chronic financial distress and a steady decline in the value of land and of its products, we may well be thankful that our Communicants have increased one-half ; our working clergy one-third ; our Churches and Rectories one-fourth, and our Diocesan Missions four or five-fold.

Touching the stability of the clergy, a word may be said.

Fifty-eight names appear on my clergy list. Thirty-four remain in connection with the Diocese ; twenty-four have removed. Of the twenty-four clergy of 1869, twelve remain.

The past nine years may be regarded as the infancy of the Diocese. May not those of us whose lives shall be prolonged for another like period, reasonably hope to see it strengthen into adolescence ?

Our ultimate reliance, under God's blessing and the comfort of the Holy Ghost, must be upon Faith and Prayer, upon self-denying work and tender solicitude for the souls of men.

And yet be it considered that we must use human prudence as well. There is a policy to be devised, and there is a business administration to be carried out. If we neglect these instrumentalities, our good intentions prove abortive.

How lovingly, how thoughtfully ought our Church business to be conducted ! How carefully should our scanty funds be husbanded and turned to the best account !

There are some of these matters of policy and administration which are to come before this Convention. They present no stirring issues, and there is nothing in them to excite florid and warm debate.

Are they then unworthy of your attention ? Surely our time will be well spent if we can by conference find out how to secure the endowment of the Diocese from serious losses, of which there is real danger. Surely we shall have done good work for God and for His Church, if we shall wisely make provision for the growing needs of the Diocese.

Let me express the hope that we will all unite to do the very best that can be done to place all our Diocesan affairs upon the surest basis. At no previous Convention has the Laity been so fully and effectively represented as in this present one, and we are happy to have the benefit of their prudent counsels. We deplore the absence of several honored clergymen of the Diocese, and the severe sickness in their persons, their families, or among their parishioners which hinders them from being with us to-day.

It grieves us all to know that some of our best men are working beyond their strength, and so are liable to sudden prostration. No one requires it of them indeed; but they cannot sit still and take necessary rest, while so many around them are needing the warnings and the consolations of the Gospel.

My closing exhortation, Dear Brethren, is this:— Know them that are over you in the Lord—know their real worth, know their hopes and fears, their difficulties and trials. Esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake.

A little rest now and then; some relief in bearing the responsibilities of the Church; a little more comfort, may prolong valuable lives which we can ill spare.

I would crave for you the reputation of a Diocese where the people are good to their ministers.

The Rev. Dr. Barber, from the Board of Diocesan Missions, submitted their report (see Appendix), and offered the following Resolution:

Resolved, That the Convention does hereby authorize the Board of Diocesan Missions to continue their appropriations, upon the basis of \$2100 per annum.

On motion, the Resolution was made the order of the day for to-morrow at 10 A. M.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hepbron, it was

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed by the Chair to revise, and, if possible, simplify the form for Parochial Reports.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Messrs. Hepbron and Dashiell, and the Rev. Dr. Fulton, as said Committee.

A communication from the Secretary of the House of Deputies

of the General Convention, referring to certain amendments to the Constitution, was submitted by the Secretary, and, on motion, referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion, the Convention adjourned.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY MORNING, *June 7, 1877.*

After Morning prayer, said by Rev. Messrs. Easter and Davenport, the President called the Convention to order.

The roll was called, and Mr. Earle, Mr. Hicks and Mr. Crookshank were present in addition to the members present yesterday.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

On motion, the consideration of the order of the day was postponed for the purpose of receiving reports of committees.

The Rev. Dr. Fulton, from the committee appointed to remove the remains of the late Bishop Stone and those of his wife, reported as follows :

On behalf of the committee of three to whom the last Convention entrusted the duty of removing the remains of the late Bishop Stone and those of his wife to a more suitable resting-place, the undersigned begs leave to report that, in company with Dr. Thomas Stone, son of the deceased Bishop, and Mr. W. Sydney Parsons and Mr. Wm. Waller, parishioners of Spring Hill Parish, he repaired to the spot and had the graves opened. The remains were removed with the utmost care, and are now deposited in a prominent spot in Parsons Cemetery in the town of Salisbury. The old tombstones were also removed and re-erected on the new place of burial.

WM. FULTON, *for the Committee.*

Whereupon it was

Resolved, That the committee heretofore appointed to remove the remains of the late Bishop Stone be continued, and authorized to erect a suitable monument with such funds as have been contributed for that object.

The Rev. Dr. Stearns, from the Committee on the Episcopal Fund, presented their report, as follows:

The Committee on the Episcopal Fund have examined the Report of the Trustees of said Fund, and find the aggregates of the several items correct. They regret to learn that so many subscriptions are still in arrears. They believe that these delinquencies are largely due to forgetfulness on the part of subscribers; and they heartily join with the Trustees in urging upon the Rectors and Vestries of the several parishes an earnest and energetic effort to secure from such subscribers a settlement in whole or in part, by cash or by note. They hold that simple justice to those who have been prompt in their payments demands that the effort be made.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. STEARNS,
LEVIN WOOLFORD,
R. C. MACKALL.

Rev. Mr. Skinner, from the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, reported as follows:

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes respectfully report that they have examined the documents relating to the Congregation of "Trinity Cathedral," Easton, viz., "The Articles of Incorporation," signed by thirty-two persons; the "Certificate" of two justices of the peace, and the "Application for Admission," drawn up and signed by the Bishop, and signed by five other persons — and they declare that, to the best of their knowledge, each of these documents is drawn in due accordance with all canonical and legal requirements, and that the case fulfills all conditions necessary to incorporation into the Diocesan organization. They therefore offer the following resolution:

***Resolved*, that the said Congregation of Trinity Cathedral be admitted into union with this Convention.**

H. A. SKINNER,
W. S. WALKER.
J. S. PURNELL.

On motion, the resolution submitted was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Barber, from the Committee on Canons, offered the following resolution:

***Resolved*, That the corrected copy of the Constitution and Canons, as reported by the Committee on Canons, be published in a separate pamphlet, and that five hundred copies be distributed to the Parishes.**

Which was adopted.

The order of the day being the consideration of the resolution

submitted by the Board of Diocesan Missions, was then resumed, and the Resolution was adopted.

12 M. The hour having arrived for the election of the Standing Committee and other officers, the Convention proceeded to the election of a Standing Committee.

The President appointed the Rev. Mr. Hepbron and Mr. Crookshank, Tellers.

The Tellers having retired to count the ballots, Mr. Walker nominated Mr. Hughlett for Treasurer of the Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Barber nominated the Rev. Messrs. E. F. Dashiell and Robt. Wilson, and Messrs. E. L. F. Hardcastle and John C. Earle, M. D., as Trustees of the Clergy Relief Fund.

The Secretary nominated I. L. Adkins, M. D., R. B. Carmichael, H. H. Dashiell, Geo. R. Goldsborough, E. L. F. Hardcastle, Chas. Lowndes, and Wm. S. Walker, as Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.

The Secretary nominated the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, the Rev. Jos. N. Wattson, the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., and the Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell, as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

The Rev. Dr. Stearns nominated Messrs. I. L. Adkins, M. D., and Jos. E. M. Chamberlaine, M. D., as members of the Board of Diocesan Missions.

The Rev. Mr. Beaven nominated for re-election the Board of Managers of the Home for Friendless Children, with one additional name. (See Appendix.)

The Rev. Mr. Dashiell re-nominated the Council of Advice of the Home for Friendless Children. (See Appendix.)

The Rev. Mr. Dashiell nominated the Rev. Jos. N. Wattson, the Rev. S. C. Roberts, and the Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell, as members of the Ecclesiastical Court.

The Rev. Mr. Roberts nominated the Rev. Dr. Barber as Registrar.

There being no other nominations, the ballot was dispensed with, and all the foregoing nominations were confirmed.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Skinner, it was

Resolved, That the articles of Incorporation of Trinity Cathedral be printed in the Journal. (See Appendix.)

Mr. Woolford offered the following Resolution :

Resolved, That the following persons, viz, be and are hereby appointed on behalf of this Convention, to procure from the Legislature of Maryland, such additional powers as may be needed for the safe-keeping of the various charities and other trust funds entrusted to the Convention of the Diocese ; and that the said Committee be requested to confer with a like Committee appointed by the Diocese of Maryland on its behalf at the late meeting of its Convention.

Whereupon the blank was ordered to be filled with the names of Levin Woolford, Wm. R. Hayward, and John M. Robinson, and the Resolution was thereupon adopted.

The Tellers of the vote for members of the Standing Committee, reported the following as having a majority of the votes cast, viz : Rev. Drs. Barber, Barton, Crosdale, and Rev. Messrs. Dashiell and Wilson, who were declared duly elected.

The Convention proceeded to the election of Deputies to the General Convention.

The President appointed the Rev. Mr. Miller and Mr. Purnell, Tellers. The Tellers retired to count the ballots.

The Rev. Dr. Barber, from the Committee on Canons, reported as follows :

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the proposed amendment to Art. II. of the Constitution, respectfully report that in their opinion this amendment cannot be adopted at the present session, for the reason that the proposition was not duly transmitted to the several vestries of the parishes and separate congregations as Article XII. of the Constitution requires. Your Committee recommend the re-adoption of the proposed amendment, and to that end offer the following resolutions :

Resolved, That it be and is hereby proposed that Article II. of the Constitution be amended by adding thereto the following words : " But in the event of epidemic disease, or for other serious cause, the Bishop, or, in a vacancy of the Episcopate, the President of the Standing Committee, shall have power to change the time and place of meeting."

Resolved, That such amendment be notified by the Secretary of the Convention to the several Vestries of the Diocese.

Which Resolutions were adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Barber, from the Committee on Canons, submitted the following report :

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the proposed changes in the Constitution, transmitted for action of this body by the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, respectfully present the following Resolutions as the result of their deliberations in the premises :

1. *Resolved*, That the proposed alteration in Art. V. of the Constitution is approved by the Convention of the Diocese of Easton.

2. *Resolved*, That while this Convention heartily concurs in and recommends some provision for a shortened form of morning and evening prayer, the proposed method of relief is not deemed wise or expedient.

3. *Resolved*, That the further amendment to Art. VIII. of the Constitution respecting the power to amend the Lectionary, is approved by the Convention of the Diocese of Easton.

4. *Resolved*, That the Deputies to the next General Convention be requested to present to the Convention a copy of these Resolutions.

The Resolutions recommended by the Committee were thereupon adopted.

The Convention then adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

4½ P. M.

The Convention was called to order by the President.

The Tellers of the vote for Deputies to the General Convention reported that the Rev. Drs. Barber, Crosdale, Barton and Stearns, and Messrs. Adkins, Goldsborough, Mackall and Walker had received majorities of the votes cast, whereupon the President declared them duly elected.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, it was

Resolved, That the deputation from this Diocese to the General Convention be and they hereby are empowered to fill any vacancies that may occur in their number, either before or during the session of said General Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, it was

Resolved, That the several Vestries of the Diocese be requested to take individual notes, payable to I. L. Adkins, Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund, in settlement of the notes due by delinquents to the Vestries for the benefit of the Episcopal Fund.

Resolved, That in view of the exceeding importance to the Diocese of the conservation of the Episcopal Fund, that the Trustees thereof (in whose business capacity the Convention has unbounded confidence,) be earnestly and affectionately advised to hold a meeting once every three months during the next year, and to address such means and appoint such agents, at the expense of the Fund, as may insure the full collection of all arrears.

On motion of Mr. Walker, it was

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund be authorized to empower the Collectors in the Parishes, or the attorneys who may be employed in their stead, to make compromises with individual subscribers, whenever in their opinion it may be advisable.

Mr. George, from the Committee on Accounts, submitted their report as follows :

We, the undersigned, Committee on Accounts, have examined the reports submitted to us. We find the amount received by the Treasurer of the Convention for the past year to be seven hundred and fifty-eight dollars and forty-five cents (\$758.45) ; and the amount disbursed as per accompanying vouchers to be six hundred and twenty-one dollars and forty-six cents (\$621.46) ; leaving a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of one hundred and thirty-six dollars and ninety-nine cents (\$136.99).

We find by the report of the Treasurer of the Clergy Relief Fund that the amount received during the past year to be three hundred and sixty-six dollars and fifty-seven cents (\$366.57), and the amount invested three hundred dollars (\$300.00).

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH E. GEORGE,
HENRY L. PHYSIC,
JAMES M. WOOTERS.

The Rev. Mr. Dashiell, from the Committee on the State of the Church, submitted their report, as follows :

The Committee on the State of the Church beg leave to report that they have had submitted to them reports from 25 Parishes and 23 Vestries, which show a very gratifying attention to this matter, but still there is room for improvement, more particularly in the manner of making out these reports. In many of the Parish reports they find much confusion in the accounts, and evidence of hurry in making them out ; and the majority of the Vestry reports they find signed by the Rector instead of the Warden or Treasurer of the Parish. The Committee think it very desirable that the forms for Vestry

reports should be sent directly to the Churchwardens, and returns made by them, and not by the Rector. The Committee would call the attention of the Convention to the fact, made evident by the Vestry reports, that not quite one-half of the churches and rectories are yet insured. They are happy to report that there is abundant evidence everywhere of firm, steady and regular growth in the Diocese. And if the present system of work is earnestly and faithfully carried out in every parish, our future will be prosperous.

The Committee would offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Convention call the special attention of the rectors and vestries of the Diocese to the Episcopal Fund, the Diocesan Mission Fund, the Home of the Friendless and Orphan Children, and to the Clergy Relief Fund, and would earnestly invoke their prayers and labors for these noble enterprises.

ERASTUS F. DASHIELL,
STEPHEN C. ROBERTS,
S. S. HEPBRON,
I. L. ADKINS,
GEO. R. GOLDSBOROUGH.

The resolution of the Committee was adopted.

The Rev. Mr. Hepbron, from the Special Committee on Forms for Parochial Reports, submitted their report, as follows:

The Committee on Parochial Reports having examined the form of Parochial Reports, beg leave to report that, in their judgment, if the item of "Money receipts," and likewise that of "Repairs and the like," be stricken out, the report will be greatly simplified and will answer all necessary purposes.

Upon the nomination of the Bishop, the following persons were elected Trustees of Trinity Cathedral:

Ninian Pinkney, T. K. Robson, J. F. Bateman, James P. Dawson, Alfred H. Dawson, James Cook Davis.

On motion, the Convention adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

8 P. M.

The Convention re-assembled. Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. Drs. Fulton and Morton, and sermon preached by the Rev. Dr. Leeds. The Convention was called to order by the President.

The Rev. Mr. Mitchell, from the Committee on Parochial

Contributions and Assessments, presented their report, as follows :

The Committee on Parochial Contributions and Assessments submit their report as follows :

AMOUNTS RECEIVED ON ACCOUNT OF ASSESSMENTS FOR THE YEAR 1877 :

St. Mary's Whitechapel	\$ 5 00
St. Mary Anne's	15 00
North Sassafras	35 00
St. James' Church, Port Deposit	12 50
Dorchester Parish	10 00
East New Market	8 00
Great Choptank	30 00
Vienna	5 00
Chester Parish.....	35 00
I. U. Parish	10 00
St. Paul's, Kent	30 00
Shrewsbury	30 00
Wye Parish	10 00
St. Luke's, Queen Anne	5 00
St. Paul's, Queen Anne	35 00
Somerset Parish	35 00
Pocomoke Parish	15 00
St. Michael's Parish	35 00
St. Peter's Parish	40 00
Whitemarsh Parish.....	25 00
Spring Hill Parish.....	31 50
Worcester Parish	15 00
Total amount received	<u>\$472 00</u>

In order to meet the expenses of the years 1877-78, we propose the assessment contained in the resolutions following :

Resolved, That the assessment for Parochial Contributions for the year 1877-8 be as follows :

CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. John's	\$ 8 00
St. Mary's Whitechapel	5 00

CECIL COUNTY.

St. Mary Anne's	15 00
North Sassafras.....	40 00
Trinity Church, Elkton.....	20 00
St. James', Port Deposit.....	12 50

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

Dorchester Parish.....	8 00
East New Market	8 00
Great Choptank.....	30 00
Vienna	5 00

KENT COUNTY.

Chester	45 00
L. U.	10 00
North Kent	25 00
St. Paul's	30 00
Shrewsbury	25 00

QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT.

Wye Parish	10 00
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QUEEN ANNE'S.

Christ Church (Kent Island)	15 00
St. Luke's	5 00
St. Paul's	40 00

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Coventry	10 00
Somerset	40 00

SOMERSET AND WORCESTER.

Pocomoke	18 00
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TALBOT COUNTY.

St. Michael's	40 00
St. Peter's	50 00
Whitemarsh	25 00
Trinity Cathedral	10 00

WICOMICO.

Spring Hill	30 00
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WORCESTER.

All Hallows	18 00
Worcester	15 00

Resolved, That to meet the expenses of the General Convention, the following extra assessment for this year is hereby ordered to be paid in September :

St. John's, Caroline	\$ 2 50
St. Mary's Whitechapel	1 50
St. Mary Anne's, Cecil Co	5 00
North Sassafras	13 50
Trinity Church, Elkton	8 00
St. James', Port Deposit	4 00
Dorchester Parish	2 50
East New Market	2 50
Great Choptank...	10 00
Vienna..	1 50
Chester Parish, Kent Co	15 00
L. U	3 00
North Kent	8 00
St. Paul's, Kent Co	10 00
Shrewsbury	8 00

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Wye Parish	2 50
Christ Church, Kent Island	5 00
St. Luke's, Queen Anne's	1 50
St. Paul's, Queen Anne's	13 50
Coventry	3 00
Somerset.....	13 50
Pocomoke	6 00
St. Michael's	13 50
St. Peter's	16 00
Trinity Cathedral	2 50
Whitemarsh	8 00
Spring Hill	10 00
All Hallows	6 00
Worcester	5 00

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Convention be instructed to notify each Parish of the amount of its assessment, at least one month before the meeting of Convention.

JAMES A. MITCHELL,
RICHARD T. EARLE,
HY. S. CONDON,
S. S. McMASTERS,
WM. R. HAYWARD.

The resolutions recommended by the Committee were adopted.

On motion of Mr. Mackall it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are due and are hereby tendered to the citizens of Cambridge, for their generous hospitality in the entertainment of its members.

On motion of Mr. Mackall, it was

Resolved, That the next Annual Convention of this Diocese meet in Trinity Church, Elkton.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Mitchell it was

Resolved, That the sum of \$10.00 be paid the Sexton of Christ Church, Cambridge, for his services during the meeting of the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Roberts, it was

Resolved, That the assessment on the different Parishes of the Diocese be printed on the inside cover of the Journal of Convention.

On motion of Mr. Physic, it was

Resolved, That the sum of twenty dollars be paid the Secretary of the Convention for transcribing the Journal.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That after the reading of the Minutes, and after appropriate devotions, the Convention do adjourn *sine die*.

The Minutes were thereupon read and approved, a hymn was sung, and after prayer and benediction by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

HENRY C. LAY,
President ex-officio.

JAS. L. BRYAN,
Secretary.

WM. S. WALKER,
Assistant Secretary.

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CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. John's Parish.

W. S. H. Mansfield and John H. Holt, Wardens.

J. B. Bishop, Dr. P. S. Reynolds, J. P. Manlove, F. T. Barton, Dr. G. W. Goldsborough, J. M. Wooters, E. M. Bonwill, W. C. Satterfield, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 17; Confirmed 6; Marriages 8; Burials 10; Holy Communions administered 20; Communicants, added 3; removed 3; died 1; present number 52.

Sunday School Teachers 7; Scholars 50; Families 26; Individuals 160; Sitzings 300. Money receipts \$506.39; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$7.00; Alms and Charities \$3.00; Home of the Friendless \$27.00; Diocesan Missions \$89.38; Domestic Missions \$4.60; Relief of Clergy \$2.00; Cathedral at Easton \$32.60; for the Rector \$260.00; Miscellaneous \$81.00.

GEO. F. BEAVEN, *Rector.*

St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.

George M. Russum and Frederick Straughn, M. D., Wardens.

Philip W. Downes, George M. Russum, Jas. B. Steele, Chas. Stevens, J. Wesley Bryant, John Gale Steele, Richard Carter, George Washington Richardson, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 2; Marriage 1; Catechisings in Sunday School; Holy Communions administered 18; Communicants, added 1; present number 13.

Sunday School Teachers 2; Scholars 7; Families 13; Individuals 56; Sitzings 100. Money receipts \$354.78; Parochial Expenditures \$284.68; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$28.00; Treasurer of the Convention \$5.00; Diocesan Missions \$23.40; Domestic Missions \$2.13; Foreign Missions \$2.07; Relief of Clergy \$3.58; Sunday School \$3.12; Total amount \$351.98.

Through the zealous efforts of the Ladies' Guild, stalls of solid walnut have

been procured, making the Chancel furniture now complete. A box of provisions and clothing also has been sent by them to the Home of the Friendless.

EDWARD J. STEARNS, *Rector.*

CECIL COUNTY.

St. Mary Anne's or North Elk Parish.

Samuel L. Chamberlain and Caleb Veasey, Wardens.

Joseph Coudon, Henry S. Coudon, John Mauldin, Geo. P. Whitaker, Frank Jones, Wm. Simcoe, Samuel L. Chamberlain, William G. Ford, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 6 ; Infant 30=36 ; Confirmed 14 ; Marriages 2 ; Burials 9 ; Catechisings 24 ; Holy Communions administered, in Public 26 ; in Private 3=29 ; Communicants, added 12 ; removed 4 ; suspended 2 ; present number 81.

Sunday School Teachers 15 ; Scholars 100 ; Parish School Teacher 1 ; Scholars 28 ; Families 55 ; Individuals 250 ; Sitzings 350. Money receipts \$1,560.88 ; Parochial Expenditures \$839.83 ; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$500.00 ; Alms and Charities \$60.32 ; Treasurer of the Convention \$18.25 ; Episcopal Fund \$138.39 ; Home of the Friendless \$24.95 ; Diocesan Missions \$55.61 ; Domestic Missions \$17.88 ; Foreign Missions \$8.15 ; Relief of Clergy \$3.55 ; Carriage and Harness \$160.00 ; Sunday School Work \$75.00 ; Total amount given in the Parish \$1,901.93.

ENOCH K. MILLER, *Rector.*

St. James' Church.

Henry L. Physick and Adam Ruppel, Wardens.

J. B. Pugh, Thos. Armstrong, H. L. Physick, W. W. Hopkins, R. E. McClenahan, J. W. Beavan, A. Ruppel, R. Hopkins, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 2 ; Infant 4=6 ; Confirmations 6 ; Marriage 1 ; Burial 1 ; Catechisings weekly ; Holy Communions administered 10 ; Communicants, added 12 ; removed 1 ; died 1 ; present number 58.

Sunday School Teachers 12 ; Scholars 103 ; Families 37 ; Individuals 170 ; Sitzings 200. Money receipts \$647.02 ; Parochial Expenditures \$583.11 ; Alms and Charities \$12.17 ; Treasurer of the Convention \$12.50 ; Home of the Friendless \$10.00 ; Diocesan Missions \$28.37 ; Domestic Missions \$6.06 ; Foreign Missions \$6.00 ; Relief of Clergy \$8.86.

I became Rector of St. James', Nov. 1, 1876. My predecessor, Mr. Martin, resigned prior to June 7, 1876. In the interval not more than one or two services were held in the church, and the usual collections for extra parochial purposes were not made. This accounts for the deficiency in such items as the contributions to the Home of the Friendless and Diocesan Missions. The excess of expenditures over receipts is less than it seems, because balances from last conventional year are not included in the income for this.

GEO. W. EASTER, *Rector.*

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North Sassafras Parish.

J. C. Crookshank and D. P. Davis, Wardens.

Wm. Knight, B. B. Price, J. W. Veasey, S. E. Wills, E. S. Jones, George Biddle, D. P. Davis, William Ward, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 22 ; Confirmation 1 ; Marriages 2 ; Burials 9 ; Holy Communion administered monthly ; Communicants, added 1 ; present number 55.

Sunday School Teachers 6 ; Scholars 38 ; Families 25 ; Individuals 100 ; Sitzings 200. Money receipts, not including income from Glebe, \$182.00 ; Parochial Expenditures \$2,146.51 ; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$1,747.15 ; Treasurer of the Convention \$35.00 ; Episcopal Fund \$215.66 ; Home of the Friendless \$39.73 ; Diocesan Missions \$53.00 ; Relief of Clergy \$28.00.

LEWIS WALKE, *Rector.*

Trinity Parish.

W. W. Henderson and H. B. Wirt, Wardens.

G. W. Cruikshank, Jno. Partridge, L. T. Roberts, W. W. Henderson, R. G. Reese, E. Sweetapple, A. Wetherill, R. C. Mackall, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 2 ; Infant 14=16 ; Marriages 3 ; Burials 4 ; Catechisings weekly ; Holy Communions administered 47 ; Communicants, added 9 ; died 1 ; present number 97.

Sunday School Teachers 8 ; Scholars 50 ; Families 50 ; Individuals 300 ; Sitzings 250. Money receipts \$1,193.85 ; Parochial Expenditures \$979.61 ; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$3,050.00 ; Alms and Charities \$38.16 ; Treasurer of the Convention \$30.00 ; Episcopal Fund \$67.30 ; Home of the Friendless \$8.00 ; Diocesan Missions \$91.54 ; Domestic and Foreign Missions \$13.00 ; Relief of Clergy \$2.35 ; Sunday School Banner \$7.50 ; Heater for Church \$74.00 ; Insurance \$5.28 ; Miscellaneous \$63.92 ; Total amount given in the Parish \$1,192.85.

The growth of this Parish, necessarily slow at all times, has not been unusually marked during the past year. Its numerical increase has been in the usual proportion ; its spiritual progress, I trust, has not been behind the record of previous years. Whilst I have, from peculiar causes, no Confirmations to report, I have the satisfaction of announcing the establishment, since the close of the year 1876, of a *Weekly Celebration of the Holy Eucharist* on the Lord's Day. I am also able to report that the Vestry has at last secured an eligible house and lot immediately adjoining the Parish Church, for a Rectory. Thus, a crying need, long felt, and by none more than the subscriber, has been supplied.

HENRY A. SKINNER, *Rector.*

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

Dorchester Parish.

Jno. E. Graham and Dr. W. A. Smith, Wardens.

W. W. Mace, S. M. Travers, Dr. T. K. Carroll, R. L. Spilman, John M. Willis, James Fooks, J. H. Edmondson, Thos. H. Keene, of L., Vestrymen.

Baptism, Infant 1 ; Marriage 1 ; Burial 1 ; Holy Communions administered 8 ; Communicants, added 1 ; removed 4 ; died 1 ; present number 14.

Sunday School Teachers 9 ; Scholars 34 ; Families 17 ; Individuals 83 ; Sitzings 365. Money receipts \$320.41 ; Parochial Expenditures \$194.50 ; Episcopal Fund \$5.00 ; Home of the Friendless \$8.00 ; Relief of Clergy \$2.50.

The above report, owing to circumstances, is necessarily imperfect. The new Rector is pleased to report that the prospects of the Parish are good. He also records with gratitude the cordial reception accorded him by his parishioners and their many acts of personal kindness.

WM. WALLACE GREENE, *Rector.*

East New Market Parish.

Dr. J. T. Jacobs and Matthew Rose, Wardens.

T. B. Sherman, K. M. Jacobs, T. J. Hicks, J. H. Wright, E. S. Johnson, Thos. Leckie, Jarvis Eadie, M. Rose, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 10 ; Confirmations 2 ; Burials 5 ; Catechisings monthly ; Holy Communions administered monthly and on great festivals ; Communicants 40.

Sunday School Teachers 4 ; Scholars 20 ; Families 35 ; Individuals 100 ; Sitzings 100. Money receipts \$150.00 ; Treasurer of the Convention \$10.00 ; Home of the Friendless \$2.57 ; Diocesan Missions \$9.68 ; Domestic Missions \$2.00 ; Foreign Missions \$2.00 ; Sent to Indian Mission \$2.00 ; Relief of Clergy \$4.00.

JAMES W. HOSKINS, *Rector.*

Great Choptank Parish.

William R. Hayward and Daniel M. Henry, Wardens.

Alex. H. Bayly, Wm. R. Hayward, D. M. Henry, Thos. B. Steele, Chas. F. Goldsborough, Thos. H. Handy, Edw. W. LeCompte, M. W. Goldsborough, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 2 ; Infant 15=17 ; Confirmations 12 ; Marriages 4 ; Burials 6 ; Catechisings monthly ; Holy Communions administered 33 ; Communicants, added 16 ; removed 7 ; died 1 ; present number 178.

Sunday School Teachers 15 ; Scholars 85 ; Families 90 ; Individuals 450 ; Sitzings 460. Parochial Expenditures \$1,120.00 ; Parochial Improvements and

Purchases \$590.00 ; Alms and Charities \$150.00 ; Treasurer of the Convention \$30.00 ; Episcopal Fund \$124.40 ; Home of the Friendless \$43.00 ; Diocesan Missions \$128.92 ; Domestic Missions \$40.50 ; Foreign Missions \$15.00 ; Relief of Clergy \$14.39 ; Girls' School in Africa \$9.00 ; Miscellaneous \$150.00 ; Total amount given in the Parish \$2,415.21.

The valuable aid of the Assistant Minister is highly appreciated both by the Rector and the congregation.

The Rector most thankfully recognizes the hearty zeal and liberality with which the parishioners have prosecuted much needed repairs and improvements, both in the Parish Church and in St. John's Chapel.

THEO. P. BARBER, *Rector.*

JAMES L. BRYAN, *Assist. Minister.*

Vienna Parish.

W. S. Craft and James A. Higgins, Wardens.

W. S. Craft, J. A. Higgins, John Webb, Thos. Higgins, J. Robinson, Dr. E. Hodson, Dr. L. Hodson, Noah Kennerly, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 1 ; Infant 3=4 ; Confirmations 2 ; Marriage 1 ; Burials 4 ; Catechisings monthly ; Holy Communion administered monthly ; Communicants 15.

Sunday School Teachers 4 ; Scholars 10 ; Families 15 ; Individuals 100 ; Sitzings 125. Money receipts \$100.00 ; Treasurer of the Convention \$6.25 ; Diocesan Missions \$6.57 ; Relief of Clergy \$2.75.

JAMES W. HOSKINS, *Rector.*

KENT COUNTY.

Chester Parish.

N. G. Westcott and T. S. Wickes, Wardens.

J. L. Stam, W. S. Walker, J. A. Pearce, W. N. E. Wickes, Geo. B. Westcott, W. H. Meeteer, G. W. T. Perkins, J. A. Wickes, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 8 ; Marriage 1 ; Burials 3 ; Catechisings monthly ; Holy Communion administered 15 ; Communicants, added 8 ; removed 2 ; died 1 ; present number 87.

Sunday School Teachers 14 ; Scholars 88 ; Families 40 ; Individuals 153 ; Sitzings 341. Money receipts \$1,347.61 ; Parochial Expenditures \$1,347.61 ; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$92.00 ; Alms and Charities \$90.08 ; Treasurer of the Convention \$43.75 ; Episcopal Fund \$85.40 ; Home of the Friendless \$41.22 ; Diocesan Missions \$100.00 ; Domestic Missions \$14.29 ; Foreign Missions \$17.39 ; Relief of Clergy \$11.50 ; Chapel at Millington \$125.00 ; Bishop's Chapel \$100.00 ; Repairs at Shrewsbury \$55.00 ; Indian Missions \$32.00 ; Total amount given in the Parish \$2,155.24.

S. C. ROBERTS, *Rector.*

*Diocesan Convention of Easton.**I. U. Parish.*

Wm. Beachum and Albert Perkins, Wardens.

Dr. F. Worrell, S. Wright, S. J. Roseberry, E. T. Wroth, S. Beck, E. B. Pennington, Luther Handy, Joseph Hossenger, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 14*; Confirmations 2; Marriage 1; Burials 7; Holy Communions administered 16; Communicants, added 3; removed 3; died 3; present number 25.

Sunday School Teachers 3; Scholars 15; Families 18; Individuals 90; Sittings 150. Money receipts \$342.25; Parochial Expenditures \$288.00; Alms and Charities \$1.00; Treasurer of the Convention \$10.00; Episcopal Fund \$27.25; Diocesan Missions \$5.00.

*No report last year. This is for two years.

S. S. HEPBRON, *Rector.*

North Kent Parish.

Baptisms, Infant 4; Confirmed 3; Communicants, added 3; removed 2; present number 38.

Sunday School Teachers 3; Scholars 30. Contributions \$1,625.00; all spent in the Parish except \$5.00 for Diocesan Missions, and \$30.00 for Convention Fund.

J. N. WATTSON, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Parish.

A. G. Mathiot and S. Constable, Wardens.

J. Ringgold, Jas. Rankin, Wm. P. Francis, C. G. Ricaud, G. T. Holliday, W. I. Rasin, Geo. Beck, T. A. Hulme, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 31; Confirmed 12; Marriages 2; Burials 10; Catechisings weekly; Holy Communion administered monthly; Communicants, added 16; removed 4; died 3; present number 59.

Sunday School Teachers 4; Scholars 50; Families 54; Individuals 300; Sittings 250. Money receipts \$800.19; Parochial Expenditures \$586.69; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$130.00; Alms and Charities \$10.00; Treasurer of the Convention \$44.00; Diocesan Missions \$15.00; Domestic Missions \$5.00; Foreign Missions \$5.00; Relief of Clergy \$4.50; Total amount given in the Parish \$800.19.

S. S. HEPBRON, *Rector.*

Shrewsbury Parish.

John C. Sutton and L. C. Graves, Wardens.

Dr. T. C. Kennard, Jas. W. Hurtt, Nat. W. Comegys, J. Medford Armstrong, Wm. Jacobi, Henry Parr, Dennis J. Nowland, John Ireland, Vestrymen.

Baptisms 8; Confirmed 16; Marriages 2; Burials 4; Catechisings monthly in each Congregation; Holy Communions administered 27; Communicants, added 9; removed 13; died 2; present number 54.

Sunday School Teachers 8; Scholars 35; Families 60; Individuals 200; Sittings 300. Money receipts \$1,217.94; Parochial Expenditures \$1,190.00; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$194.00; Alms and Charities \$33.00; Treasurer of the Convention \$30.00; Episcopal Fund \$5.50; Home of the Friendless \$25.00; Diocesan Missions \$60.00; Domestic Missions \$5.50; Foreign Missions \$5.00; Relief of Clergy \$15.00; books, tracts and papers for Sunday School and Parish use \$10.00; Miscellaneous \$104.50.

I entered upon the duties of this Parish in June last. Nearly a year's vacancy had occurred before a new Rector was chosen, and then several hindrances occurred to delay his work until the fall. Meanwhile, serious losses had befallen the Parish by death and removals since report of 1875. Nearly one half the families, individuals and communicants, were gone. But there is no despondency. An excellent spirit pervades the Parish. God is blessing us. The services are well attended by serious congregations. A fresh effort has been started to repair and improve the old Church. The unfinished Chapel in Galena will be pushed forward to completion. Nearly enough funds are now in hand or pledged for this object. The Rectory has been repaired and is comfortable. A new horse has been purchased for the use of the Rector. The Churchyard has been enclosed with a new and substantial fence. Several old debts have been paid, and the weekly and other offerings of the congregation enlarged. A generous friend of the Church in Cecil County has engaged to contribute the whole amount of the cost of fitting the Church in Galena with seats. I might speak in warm terms, if it were proper, of the uniform kindness of the parishioners and community of Shrewsbury Parish.

J. MARTIN, *Rector.*

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

Christ Church Parish.

Wm. A. Thompson and Wm. P. Tanner, Wardens.

W. E. G. Newnam, Wm. B. Goodhand, Wm. Denny, Edward C. Legg, John C. Ninde, Elfred Price, John H. Price, Chas. E. Tolson, Vestrymen.

Baptism, Infant 1; Marriage 1; Catechisings occasional; Holy Communions administered 12; Communicants, removed 1; present number 18.

Sunday School Teachers, Rector and his wife; Scholars in the Parish 24; Families 9; Individuals 75; Sittings 80. Money receipts \$35.00; Parochial Expenditures, approximate \$1,200.00; Alms and Charities \$25.00; Relief of Clergy \$1.50; Church Building Fund \$85.00; Ladies' Society \$6.00.

The meagreness of this record of Parish work is owing to the want of a church building. A good congregation could be gathered and many names would be added to our list of communicants, if we had room to accommodate those who, I am convinced, would attend the services of the Church.

P. D. THOMPSON, *Rector*

*Diocesan Convention of Easton.**St. Luke's Parish.*

W. E. B. Faithful and R. E. C. Downes, Wardens.

William Gould, Wm. H. Newnam, E. S. Valliant, James Brown, J. F. Hall, James Mullican, Joseph E. George, A. J. Gadd, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 1; Infant 5=6; Confirmed 1; Marriage 1; Burials 3; Catechisings weekly; Holy Communions administered 12; Communicants, added 9; removed 1; died 1; present number 49.

Sunday School Teachers 7; Scholars 59; Families 33; Individuals 130; Sitzings 125. Money receipts \$637.94; Parochial Expenditures \$440.18; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$77.00; Alms and Charities \$3.76; Treasurer of the Convention \$6.25; Episcopal Fund \$38.68; Home of the Friendless \$3.10; Diocesan Missions \$20.68; Foreign Missions \$3.00; Relief of Clergy \$4.00; Sunday School \$26.24; Total amount given in the Parish \$562.94.

This report, excepting the amounts paid to the Treasurers of Convention and the Episcopal Fund, covers only a period of seven months, beginning Nov. 1, 1876, when the undersigned took charge of the Parish.

We take pleasure in reporting that at Sudlersville a lot has just been purchased, on which it is expected that a Chapel will be built during the summer.

W. G. DAVENPORT, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Parish.

James T. Earle and Samuel T. Earle, Wardens.

Richard T. Earle, Wm. McKenney, Robert Goldsborough, Edwin H. Brown, Samuel T. Earle, M. D., Dorsey Wright, Richard Hollyday, John B. Brown, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 1; Infant 16=17; Confirmed 5; Marriages 2; Burials 12; Catechisings monthly; Holy Communions administered 24; Communicants, added 7; removed 8; died 2; present number 124.

Sunday School Teachers 9; Scholars 58; Parish School Teachers 2; Scholars 20; Families 75; Individuals 350; Sitzings 350. Money receipts \$1,714.98; Parochial Expenditures \$1,248.01; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$29.18; Alms and Charities \$89.27; Treasurer of the Convention \$49.56; Home of the Friendless \$44.65; Diocesan Missions \$99.20; Domestic Missions \$77.28; Relief of Clergy \$13.75.

JAMES A. MITCHELL, *Rector.*

QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT COUNTIES.

Wye Parish.

Dr. James Davidson and W. R. Davidson, Wardens.

James Davidson, R. B. Carmichael, Sr., R. C. Tilghman, W. R. Davidson, C. H. Tilghman, Thomas Grason, Geo. Davidson, N. Comegys, Vestrymen.

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Baptisms, Infant 26 ; Confirmed 5 ; Marriages 3 ; Burials 6 ; Catechisings 3 ; Holy Communions administered 27 ; Communicants, added 5 ; removed 12 ; died 1 ; present number 63.

Sunday School Teachers 3 ; Scholars 17 ; Families 38 ; Individuals 157 ; Sitzings 316. Money receipts \$697.11 ; Parochial Expenditures \$815.04 ; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$240.20 ; Alms and Charities \$2.50 ; Treasurer of the Convention \$10.00 ; Home of the Friendless \$6.00 ; Diocesan Missions \$77.95 ; Domestic Missions \$7.78 ; Foreign Missions \$4.50 ; Relief of Clergy \$3.00 ; Bible and Prayer-book Society \$4.60 ; Delivered to the Bishop for Diocesan Missions \$8.83 ; Miscellaneous \$21.90.

W. B. EVERETT, *Rector.*

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Somerset Parish.

John Woolford and Levin H. Curtis, Wardens ; Henry H. Robertson and Thos. H. Fitzgerald, Jr., Assistant Wardens.

Isaac S. Atkinson, William J. Brittingham, Hampden H. Dashiell, John W. Dashiell, William H. Gale, William Stewart, Robert G. Waller, Levin Woolford, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 14 ; Confirmed 12 ; Marriages 9 ; Burials 11 ; Catechisings almost every Sunday ; Holy Communions administered 32 ; Communicants, added 19 ; removed 3 ; died 7 ; present number 194.

Sunday School Teachers in two Schools 19 ; Scholars in two Schools about 110 ; Families about 90 ; Individuals about 430 ; Sitzings about 400. Money receipts \$1,926.95 ; Parochial Expenditures \$880.15 ; Repairs on Organ \$178.00 ; Alms and Charities \$25.00 ; Treasurer of the Convention \$43.75 ; Episcopal Fund \$106.40 ; Home of the Friendless, including Clothing \$32.50 ; Diocesan Missions \$72.05 ; Domestic Missions \$12.25 ; for Sunday Schools of the Parish \$80.00 ; Nashotah \$5.50 ; Relief of Clergy \$11.35 ; Repairs on All Saints, Monie, \$30.00 ; new stained windows in the two Churches \$200.00 ; carriage and harness for Rector \$175.00 ; Miscellaneous, including offerings to Trinity Cathedral, Easton, \$75.00 ; Total amount given in the Parish \$1,926.95.

Besides the above amount of money actually *given* in the Parish, there has been *expended* from "the income from Endowment," for a new fence around St. Andrew's Church, for insurance and repairs, the sum of \$620.85.

JOHN O. BARTON, *Rector.*

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

TALBOT COUNTY.

St. Michael's Parish.

George R. Goldsborough and Daniel M. Fedderman, Wardens.

Wm. Goldsborough, G. R. Goldsborough, John C. Adams, George E. Hadaway, Charles Lowndes, Wm. Willis, George Tyler, T. H. Oliver, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 4; Infant 18=22; Confirmed 9; Burials 5; Catechisings 12; Holy Communions administered 40; Communicants, added 9; present number 130.

Sunday School Teachers 10; Scholars 70; Families 60; Individuals 400; Sittings 550. Parochial Expenditures \$2,842.62; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$30.00; Alms and Charities \$60.00; Treasurer of the Convention \$43.75; Episcopal Fund \$308.68; Home of the Friendless \$110.00; Diocesan Missions \$101.50; Domestic Missions \$36.20; Foreign Missions \$22.49; Increase of Ministry \$10.00; Relief of Clergy \$20.00; Cathedral \$520.00; Plans for new Church \$300.00; Invested for new Church \$280.00; Salaries \$1,000.00; Total amount given in the Parish \$2,842.62.

ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, *Rector.*

St. Peter's Parish.

Wm. H. Smith and I. L. Adkins, Wardens.

Sam. Hambleton, I. L. Adkins, Wm. H. Smith, W. M. Hollyday, R. J. Trippe, Jno. F. Kersey, Jno. C. Earle, M. T. Goldsborough, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 13; Confirmed 17; Marriages 4; Burials 11; Catechisings monthly; Holy Communions administered 21; Communicants, added 27; removed 41; died 3; present number 233.

Sunday School Teachers 9; Scholars 100; Families 64; Individuals 400; Sittings 450. Money receipts \$11,141.58; Parochial Expenditures \$13,291.58; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$10,000.00; Alms and Charities \$82.93; Treasurer of the Convention \$50.00; Episcopal Fund \$362.10; Home of the Friendless \$146.51; Diocesan Missions \$239.90; Domestic Missions \$207.15; Foreign Missions \$28.45; Relief of Clergy \$16.64; Indian Missions \$64.49; Miscellaneous \$330.99; Total amount given in the Parish \$11,141.58.

The Chapel at Easton Point has been formally made over to the Bishop, and seven families, including twenty-two communicants, transferred at their own request to the congregation of Trinity Cathedral; this number exceeding by five the net gain for the year, and being accounted for above under "removed."

The improvements mentioned last year as in progress have, by God's blessing, been successfully completed. The church building has been enlarged by the addition of a commodious and beautiful Chancel, organ-chamber, and

Parochial Reports.

51.

Vestry-room; new pews put in, adding sixty sittings to its capacity: a fine new organ, a beautiful stained window, and new and beautiful furniture have been introduced at a cost, over all, of nearly \$10,000.00. A debt of \$2,000.00 has been incurred, covered, however, by the assets of the Parish.

ROBERT WILSON, *Rector.*

Whitemarsh Parish.

Thos. J. Chaplain and John W. Martin, Wardens.

J. W. Martin, Dr. E. M. Hardcastle, Dr. A. Matthews, A. Barnet, B. F. Taylor, Wm. Kirby, R. Bartlett, John Warner, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 1; Infant 10=11; Confirmed 10; Marriages 4; Burials 4; Catechisings weekly; Holy Communions administered 24; Communicants, added 5; removed 1; died 1; present number 122.

Sunday School Teachers 14; Scholars 70; Families 56; Individuals 342; Sittings 470. Money receipts \$1,761.00; Money paid \$2,300 23; Parochial Expenditures \$605.00; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$1,488.00: Alms and Charities \$24.00; Treasurer of the Convention \$25 00; Home of Friendless \$33 23; Diocesan Missions \$27.50; Relief of Clergy \$5.00; the Oxford Mission is now raising for all purposes about \$100.00 yearly; Miscellaneous \$20.00; Total amount given in the Parish \$1,761.00.

The last quarter due to Diocesan Missions has not been collected, but will be in a few weeks.

The five hundred dollars that appeared on last report as being in bank at Easton, was not expended until early this year, therefore this report shows more expended than received.

GEORGE S. FITZHUGH, *Rector.*

All Saints.

Baptisms, Infant 4; Confirmed 1; Burials 5; Communicants 35.

Sunday School Teachers 5; Sunday School Scholars 25; Families 15; Individuals 60; Sittings 200. Money receipts \$757.68; Parochial Expenditures \$478.29; Home of the Friendless \$22.11; Diocesan Missions \$40.00; Domestic Missions \$37.56; Foreign Missions \$15.00; other objects \$164.72.

In charge of the Bishop.

Trinity Cathedral.

Baptisms, Adult 1; Infant 12=13; Confirmed 4; Marriages 2; Holy Communions administered 10; Communicants 25.

Sunday School Teachers 6; Scholars 25; Families 15; Individuals 70; Sittings 200. Money receipts \$2,739.26; Parochial Expenditures \$157.11; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$2,138.04; Home of the Friendless \$11.99; Diocesan Missions \$30.00; Domestic Missions \$10.00; Foreign Missions \$15.00; Relief of Clergy \$2.12; other objects \$375.00.

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

Of the money above reported, about \$500.00 was contributed in the congregation; about \$300.00 was contributed by Churchmen in Easton; about \$700.00 by friends in the other parts of the Diocese, and about \$1,250.00 by friends in other Dioceses.

THE BISHOP, *Rector.*

W. Y. BEAVEN, *Assist. Minister.*

WICOMICO COUNTY.

Spring Hill Parish.

John F. Collier and George Hitch, Wardens; J. Aug. Parsons, Isaac S. Adams and Dr. Wm. H. H. Dashiell, Assistant Wardens.

John White, Milton A. Parsons, J. Aug. Parsons, Lafayette P. Humphreys, Wm. Waller, George Waller, George Hitch, Valerius Collier, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 1; Infant 10=11; Confirmed 10; Marriages 6; Burials 13; Holy Communions administered 20; Communicants, added 16; removed 4; died 6; present number 188.

Sunday School Teachers 14; Scholars 95; Families 120; Individuals 550; Sitzings 600. Money receipts \$1,574.04; Parochial Expenditures \$1,202.50; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$125.00; Alms and Charities \$15.00; Treasurer of the Convention \$33.00; Episcopal Fund \$140.24; Diocesan Missions \$41.90; Domestic Missions \$2.85; Foreign Missions \$6.30; Relief of Clergy \$5.50; Memorial to Bishop Stone \$2.75; Ladies' Association \$45.00; Sunday School \$60.00.

WM. FULTON, *Rector.*

WORCESTER COUNTY.

All Hallows' Parish.

J. D. Hack and F. Dashiell, Wardens.

T. P. Parker, J. S. Jones, G. W. Bishop, M. D., J. D. Hack, G. W. Upshur, F. Porter, Samuel Townsend, J. J. Collins, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 3; Confirmed 2; Burials 4; Catechisings seldom, being necessarily absent; Holy Communion administered monthly; Communicants, added 2; removed 2; present number about 60.

Sunday School Teachers 5; Scholars about 30; Families about 30; Individuals about 130; Sitzings 400. Money receipts \$1,690.28; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$1,096.00; Alms and Charities \$16.00; Home of the Friendless \$9.18; Diocesan Missions \$9.50; Domestic Missions \$6.30; Foreign Missions \$6.14; Relief of Clergy \$4.00; Tuning of the old Organ \$25.00.

With pleasure do I record the fact that, through the liberality of the community at large, I have been furnished with a horse and carriage, and am thus enabled to visit parishioners residing at a distance, as well as to officiate regularly in Stockton and Lindseyville. The Church of All Hallows has been handsomely renewed, and a new organ purchased.

CHARLES H. WILLIAMSON, *Rector.*

Worcester Parish.

John R. Purnell and Josiah M. Marshall, Wardens.

E. J. Derickson, John F. Jones, William Showell, J. T. Hammond, John S. Purnell, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 17 ; Marriage 1 ; Burials 6 ; Catechisings 7 ; Holy Communions administered 23 ; Communicants, added 14 ; removed 3 ; died 3 ; present number 64.

Sunday School Teachers 5 ; Scholars 25 ; Families 32 ; Individuals 102 ; Sitzings 350. Money receipts \$1,080.90 ; Parochial Expenditures \$704.39 ; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$15.00 ; Alms and Charities \$26.50 ; Treasurer of the Convention \$15.00 ; Episcopal Fund \$192.42 ; Home of the Friendless \$37.00 ; Diocesan Missions \$53.74 ; Domestic Missions \$7.20 ; Foreign Missions \$11.00 ; Relief of Clergy \$7.25 ; Total amount given in the Parish \$1,080.90.

We clothe one child at Home of the Friendless in addition to our money subscription. Such repairs at old St. Martin's Church as are necessary are contemplated. A little over one hundred dollars have been subscribed for the purpose.

C. E. MILNOR, *Rector.*

CLERICAL REPORTS.

LEXINGTON, KY., *May 25th*, 1877.

Rt. Rev. Father in God:

Having been forced by ill-health to resign the charge of All Saints' Church, I came last August to Lexington, Kentucky. Here I have been residing since that time, detained at first for some months by my own illness, and afterward by that of my mother, who is but now sufficiently recovered for me to think of leaving. Meanwhile I have been teaching in Christ Church Seminary, and, as far as possible, assisting the Rev. Rector of this parish. Under these circumstances I have no report to make of parish work, and remain,

Very faithfully yours,

RICHARD TOTTEN.

RT. REV. H. C. LAY, D. D.

PERRYMANSVILLE, MD., *June 1st*, 1877.

The undersigned respectfully reports that continued ill-health has prevented him from the active exercise of ministerial duties, except occasional opportunities of teaching.

E. G. PERRYMAN.

Summary of Parochial Reports.

TABLE 1.—Summary of Parachial Reports (Statistics of Persons).

PARISH OR CHURCH.	BAPTISM.		Confirmations.	CONGREGATION.					Families.	Individuals.	Marriages.	Funerals.	P. R. SUND. CL.		SUND. SCHOOLS		Sittings.
	Adult.	Infant.		Added.	Be moved.	Died.	Present number.	Teach-ers.					Scho-l. att.	Teach-ers.	Scho-l. att.		
St. John's	17	4	1	1	1	64	26	100	1	10	2	58	200				
St. Mary's Whitechapel.	2	1	1	1	1	15	13	50	1	10	2	7	100				
Augustine	30	14	12	4	1	61	25	170	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Mary Abney	4	12	12	1	1	66	27	170	1	12	10	100	400				
St. James	23	14	12	1	1	55	23	120	1	12	10	100	400				
N. Roper	1	1	1	1	1	67	23	120	1	12	10	100	400				
Trinity	14	1	1	1	1	14	11	57	1	12	10	100	400				
Dorchester	1	1	1	1	1	40	25	100	1	12	10	100	400				
K. N. Marks	10	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
G. Chopsank	13	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
Vienna	3	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
Chester	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. U.	14	1	1	1	1	67	23	120	1	12	10	100	400				
N. Kent	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Paul's, Kent	31	1	1	1	1	64	23	120	1	12	10	100	400				
Southbury	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
Christ, Kent Island	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Luke's, Q. A.	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Paul's, Q. A.	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
Wyo.	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
Barneset	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
Covenry	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
Wigornio	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
Pasamoke	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Michael's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Peter's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
Holy Trinity	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
Walden	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
All Saints (Provisional)	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
Trinity Cathedral	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Matthew's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Peter's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. John's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Mary's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Paul's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Luke's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Peter's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. John's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Mary's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Paul's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Luke's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Peter's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. John's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Mary's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Paul's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Luke's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Peter's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. John's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Mary's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Paul's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Luke's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Peter's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. John's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Mary's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Paul's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Luke's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Peter's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. John's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Mary's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Paul's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Luke's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Peter's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. John's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Mary's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Paul's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Luke's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Peter's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. John's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Mary's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Paul's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Luke's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Peter's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. John's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Mary's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Paul's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Luke's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Peter's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. John's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Mary's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Paul's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Luke's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Peter's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. John's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Mary's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Paul's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Luke's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Peter's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. John's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Mary's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Paul's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Luke's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Peter's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. John's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Mary's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Paul's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Luke's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Peter's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. John's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Mary's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Paul's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Luke's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Peter's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. John's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Mary's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Paul's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Luke's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Peter's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. John's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Mary's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Paul's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Luke's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Peter's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. John's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Mary's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Paul's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Luke's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Peter's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. John's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Mary's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Paul's	1	1	1	1	1	15	12	100	1	12	10	100	400				
St. Luke's	1	1															

• These items are not generated from older powers.

TABLE II.—Summary of Parochial Reports (Statistics of Contributions).

APPROPRIATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS.												
CHURCH OR PARISH	Parish Ex- penses.	Parish Improve- ments.	Parish Charities	Conven- tion.	Episcopal Fund.	Home for Friendless	Diocesan Missions.	Domestic Missions	Foreign Missions.	Increase of Ministry.	Clergy Relief.	Other pur- poses.
St. John's	\$ 250 00	\$ 7 00	\$ 3 00	.....	.....	\$ 27 00	\$ 89 38	\$ 4 60	.....	.....	\$ 2 09	\$112 60
St. Mary's W. Chap.	284 68	28 00	.....	85 00	.....	.....	23 40	2 13	\$ 2 07	.....	3 58	3 12
Augustine .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. M. Anne's	839 83	735 00	60 32	18 25	\$ 188 30	24 95	55 66	17 88	8 15	.....	3 55	.....
St. James'	583 11	.....	12 17	12 50	.....	10 00	28 37	6 06	6 00	.....	8 86	.....
N. Sassafras	2146 51	1747 15	.....	35 00	215 66	39 73	53 02	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....
Trinity	979 61	3050 00	38 16	30 00	67 30	8 00	91 54	6 50	6 50	.....	2 35	160 70
Dorchester	194 50	.....	.....	.....	5 00	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50	.....
E. N. Market .....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	2 57	9 68	2 00	2 00	.....	4 00	2 00
G. Choptank	1120 00	500 00	150 00	30 00	124 40	43 00	128 92	40 50	24 00	.....	14 39	160 00
Vienna .....	.....	.....	.....	6 25	.....	.....	6 57	.....	.....	.....	2 75	.....
Chester	1347 61	94 00	90 06	43 75	83 40	41 22	100 00	14 29	17 39	.....	11 50	812 50
I. U.	288 00	.....	1 00	10 00	27 25	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
N. Kent	1510 00	.....	.....	30 00	.....	.....	83 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Paul's, Kent	596 69	180 00	10 00	44 00	.....	.....	15 00	5 00	5 00	.....	4 50	.....
Shrewsbury	1190 00	194 00	33 00	30 00	5 50	25 00	60 00	5 50	.....	.....	15 60	114 50
Christ, Kent Island	1200 00	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 59	91 00
St. Luke's, Q. A.	440 18	77 00	3 76	6 25	38 68	3 10	20 68	.....	8 00	.....	- 4 00	26 24
St. Paul's, Q. A.	1248 01	29 18	89 27	49 56	.....	44 65	99 20	77 28	.....	.....	18 75	.....
Wye	815 04	246 20	2 50	10 00	.....	6 00	86 78	7 78	4 50	.....	3 00	26 50
Somerset	840 15	663 00	25 00	43 75	106 40	32 50	72 05	12 25	.....	.....	11 35	80 50
Covenry	*300 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wicomico .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pocomoke	*800 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Michael's	2442 62	610 00	60 00	43 75	308 68	110 00	101 50	36 20	22 49	10 00	30 60	520 00
St. Peter's	2000 60	10000 00	83 98	50 00	302 10	146 51	239 99	207 15	28 45	.....	16 64	395 48
Holy Trinity .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Whitemarsh	603 00	1438 00	24 00	25 00	.....	83 23	27 50	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....
All Saints	478 29	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 11	40 00	37 56	15 00	.....	.....	164 82
Trinity Cathedral	157 11	875 00	.....	.....	.....	11 99	30 00	10 00	15 00	.....	2 12	.....
St. Matthew's .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Spring Hill	1202 50	125 00	15 00	38 00	140 24	.....	41 90	2 85	6 37	.....	5 50	107 75
Stepney .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
All Hallows .....	.....	1096 00	16 00	.....	.....	9 18	9 50	6 30	6 14	.....	4 00	25 00
Worcester	704 39	15 00	26 50	15 00	192 42	87 00	53 74	7 20	11 00	.....	7 25	.....
Totals	\$25,063 83	\$21,291 53	\$767 69	\$581 06	†\$2708 77	\$985 74	†\$1604 53	\$509 03	\$187 99	\$10 00	†\$384 81	\$2283 41

* Estimated from report of 1878. † As corrected by Report of Treasurer. Expenditures for all purposes \$55,917.89.

TABLE III.—Summary of Vestry Reports.

CHURCH OR PARISH.	ENDOWMENT.		Treasurer's Accounts.	Curesmen.	Insurance on Churches.	Insurance on Rectory.	SALARY.		Globe.
	Am't.	How Invested.					Promised.	Paid.	
St. John's	none	.....	Daily audited.	2	none	none	no pledge	.....	4 acres
St. Mary's W. Chapel.	"	.....	"	1	\$1000	none	\$750	\$250 00	none
St. M. Anne's .....	"	.....	"	2	\$500	none	700 00	700 00	20 acres
St. James .....	"	.....	"	1	4000	none	450	425 00	none
St. Basil's .....	"	.....	"	1	6500	.....	1000	1000 00	200 acres
Trinity .....	"	.....	"	1	2000	1000	600	600 55	none
Dorchester .....	"	.....	"	2	8000	none	.....	40 00	"
E. W. Market .....	"	.....	not	1	no ins.	1000	no pledge	720 00	"
G. Chaplank .....	"	.....	daily	1	no ins.	no ins.	no pledge	.....	"
Vienna .....	"	.....	not	1	no ins.	no ins.	no pledge	.....	3 acres
Chester	\$1000	Bond B. & O. R. R.	daily	1	no ins.	no ins.	1000	200 05	none
I. U.	none	.....	"	2	no ins.	no ins.	250	.....	two farms
Barwobury .....	"	.....	"	1	no ins.	no ins.	500	500 00	none
Charlet Church, Kent I	"	.....	"	2	no ins.	no ins.	500	500 00	"
St. Luke's, Q. A. ....	"	.....	"	1	2500	600	500	500 00	"
Bowmest	5000	Balto. City Stock.	"	3	4500	1500	no pledge	757 57	"
St. Michael's	7000	Balto. City and Md. S. per cents	"	3	no ins.	1500	1500	1500 00	"
St. Peter's	none	.....	"	1	\$200	2000	1500	1200 00	"
Whitechurch .....	"	.....	"	2	no ins.	1500	no pledge	478 00	"
All Saints .....	"	.....	daily audited.	1	7000	none	150	150 00	"
Trinity (cathedral)	"	.....	"	2	1000	none	100	100 00	"
Spital Hill	250	Private security.	"	3	no ins.	1000	1000	1000 00	"
All Hallows	2000	Notes and Mortgages.	"	3	no ins.	1000	1000	1000 00	"
Worcester	none	.....	"	1	2500	none	600	472 00	"

The Vestries of the following Parishes make no report, viz: St. Augustine, St. Paul's, Kent, Coventry, Poconoke, North Kent, Wye, Wisconsin, St. Matthew's, and Steeple Parson.

APPENDIX.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE.

Convention of P. E. Church of Easton in account with

THOMAS HUGHLETT, Treasurer

DR.

1876.	June	4.	Balance due Treasurer.	\$ 76
	"	7.	To cash paid the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., as per bill, &c.	2
	"	8.	To cash paid the Rev. J. L. Bryan, as per order of Convention	25
	"	9.	To cash paid Thomas Sampson, sexton, as per order of Convention	10
	"	10.	To cash paid the Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, as per bill and receipt of this date	28
	July	18.	To check to Messrs. Innes & Co., in full for printing Journal, as per bill and receipt	170
	Aug.	8.	To post-office order to Rev. J. L. Bryan, for printing, &c	13
	Oct.	5.	To check to Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, on account of travelling expenses for the year 1876-77.	125
	"	6.	To check to Rev. W. Fulton, D. D., for balance of account rendered for removing the remains of the late Bishop Stone	10
	Dec.	22.	To cash paid the Rev. T. P. Barber, D. D., order to Dr. I. L. Adkins, being on account of expenses as examiner	4
	"	22.	To cash paid Rev. Mr. Wilson's account for expenses attending the meeting of Standing Committee at Cambridge.	3
1877.	May	2.	To check to Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay in full of travelling expenses to 1st of June, 1877.	125
	"	21.	To check to Rev. T. P. Barber, D. D., on account of expenses attending a meeting of the Board of Examiners, &c.	16
	"	21.	To check to Rev. J. O. Barton, D. D., in full of expenses for attending a meeting of Standing Committee at Cambridge	4

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1877.	May 28.	To cash paid Rev. E. J. Stearns, D D., as per receipt for attending meetings of the Board of Examiners.....	4 40
		Balance	136 99
			\$758 45

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1876.	June 8.	By cash of the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, chairman of the Committee on Parochial Contributions	\$734 45
	" 14.	By cash of the Bishop, on account of St. James, Port Deposit.	12 50
	Sept. 8.	By post-office order from H. C. Hudson, Treasurer of Worcester Parish, for extra assessment for 1874	10 00
	Oct. 6.	By cash from Rev. W. Fulton, D. D., on account of Spring Hill Parish dues.....	1 50
			\$758 45

Which is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer.*

N. B.—I think our expenses for the next year will approximate eight hundred dollars. The assessment for 1874, if it is paid, together with the delinquent parishes, and the money now in hand, will be sufficient to meet our current expenses, by using the strictest economy.

Travelling expenses of Bishop.....	\$250 00
Printing Journal, &c	175 00
Rev. J. L. Bryan, Secretary, &c	38 00
Sexton.....	10 00
Standing Committee and Board of Examiners.....	31 00
General Convention.....	285 00
	\$789 00
Amount due from the Parishes.....	\$740 45
	131 99
	872 44

For margin and money not collected..... \$ 83 44

All of which is most respectfully called to your attention.

THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

To the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Easton.

GENTLEMEN :—Receipts and disbursements of the year past are herewith presented. Most of the parishes reported delinquent are delinquent still. Little effort seems to have been made by the parish authorities, or little result has followed, except in one case, in which a settlement of almost the entire subscription list was arranged by the Rector and Vestry, notes having been taken where money was lacking, as has been often recommended.

Investments before reported.....\$33,439 27

*Diocesan Convention of Easton.***SUBSCRIPTION RECEIPTS.**

On the ninth annual instalment, with arrearages.....	\$2,350 50	
Balance on hand at last report	839 87	
	<hr/>	\$3,190 37

EXPENSES.

Stamps stationery, safe deposit box, &c.....	\$25 00
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INVESTED.

Temporary loan.....	\$1,200 00	
\$1000 Consumer's Gas Co.'s bond, Baltimore	1,000 00	
Balance on hand	965 37	
	<hr/>	\$3,190 37

INTEREST AND DIVIDEND RECEIPTS.

On investments.....	\$1,634 15	
On subscriptions.....	358 27	
On hand at last report.....	908 68	
	<hr/>	\$2,901 10

DISBURSED.

In payment of the Bishop's salary.....	\$2,500 00	
Leaving on hand to pay the salary of the Bishop. ...	401 10	
	<hr/>	\$2,901 10

*June 6th, 1877.**I. L. ADKINS, Treasurer.*

The Trustees respectfully submit the Treasurer's Report.

Payments of annual dues and arrearages have been less than was expected after the earnest appeal of last year. It is again respectfully urged that Rectors and Vestries exert their best efforts to secure settlements in some form from subscribers in arrear, in part or in whole, by cash or by note. The tenth and last year of the term should receive more attention than has been given, in a majority of the parishes, to so important a subject. Great loss must follow longer neglect to close up individual accounts, mostly small, but aggregating a large sum, scattered all over the Diocese. It would be a disappointment and a sorrow to those who have labored so hard and contributed so freely to gather in the handsome subscription with which we started, and a great inconvenience to every parish should an annual assessment become necessary to make up a deficiency in the promised salary of the Bishop. Before another meeting of the Convention there may be such need. The punctual few that have come up yearly with full or considerable payments, would consider it a hardship, and might refuse, to be taxed for the delinquency of others less diligent and faithful. If each Rector will do his part, and the Vestry of every parish will steadily co-operate in the work during this year, we shall certainly escape this needless burthen, and may rejoice in a competent Episcopal endowment.

RICHARD B. CARMICHAEL,
I. L. ADKINS,
CHARLES LOWNDES,
EDWARD L. F. HARDCASTLE,
W. S. WALKER,
GEO. R. GOLDSBOROUGH.

REPORT OF DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Diocesan Board of Missions begs leave respectfully to report :

During the last year, stipends have been granted to Missionaries in the following parishes and churches, viz : St. James', Port Deposit ; St. Luke's, Queen Anne's ; St. John's, Caroline ; St. Mary's Whitechapel ; All Saints' ; Trinity Cathedral ; East New Market ; Dorchester Parish, and Coventry Parish : in all, eight Missionaries in nine parishes. The report of the Treasurer hereto appended shows receipts of about \$1672, and expenditures of \$1750, while the quarterly payment due the 30th of this month is not provided for. This is a falling off of \$350 upon last year.

At the present rate of appropriation, the sum of twenty-one hundred dollars (\$2100) is required for the expenditures of the next year, while there are other openings for missionary work, were adequate funds available.

The Diocese is steadily increasing in strength. This growth is distinctly referable to the blessing of God upon our missionary endeavors. It becomes us to use more system and greater earnestness in this our only scheme of Church extension.

We could wish that our more wealthy laymen would, in view of the pressing need, contribute more than a few dollars. If some persons would supplement the parochial offering by a personal annual subscription of fifty or a hundred dollars, the number of our working clergy would be soon enlarged.

With the view of ascertaining the wishes of the Convention, the Committee offers the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Convention does hereby authorize the Diocesan Board of Missions to continue their appropriations upon the basis of \$2100 per annum.

THEO. P. BARBER, *for the Committee.*

REPORT OF TREASURER OF DIOCESAN MISSIONS BOARD.

The Board of Diocesan Missions in account with I. L. ADKINS, Treasurer.

DR.

To Cash paid drafts—

1876-77.	June 29.	St. John's Parish.....	\$50 00
	July 7.	Dorchester Parish.....	75 00
	Aug. 2.	St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish	75 00
	July 8.	East New Market Parish	75 00
	Sept. 2.	Coventry Parish.	100 00
	Oct. 2.	St. John's Parish.....	50 00
	" 7.	St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish	75 00
	" 10.	Coventry Parish.....	50 00
	" 14.	East New Market Parish.....	75 00
	" 14.	All Saints and Trinity Cathedral.....	75 00
	Nov. 17.	St. James' Church, Port Deposit	75 00
	Dec. 28.	St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.....	75 00
	" 29.	All Saints and Trinity Cathedral.....	75 00
	" 30.	East New Market Parish.....	75 00
	Jan. 6.	St. Luke's Parish.....	83 33

	29 17
On the ninth annual ins.	50 00
Balance on hand at last	50 00
	25 00
Stamps stationery, &c.	75 00
	62 50
	50 00
Temporary loan.....	50 00
\$1000 Consumer's C.	75 00
Balance on hand	75 00
	50 00
	75 00
On investments.....	\$1750 00
On subscriptions..	
On hand at last re.	\$120 26
	69 47
In payment of th.	14 08
Leaving on han	84 05
	23 40
June 6th, 18	27 50
The Trustee	101 50
Payments of	38 35
after the ear	53 24
Rectors and A	128 92
from subscri	89 86
and last year	50 00
a majority o	50 00
longer negl.	234 56
a large sum	53 74
and a sorr	98 15
gather in	62 93
convenience	23 83
make up	1 14
meeting	41 90
have con	81 00
it a hard	4 18
diligent	16 25
parish w	66 50
escape	45 00
down	18 00
	28 27
	20 68
	3 32
	5 00
	69 71
	25 21
	\$1750 00

REPORT OF TREASURER OF CLERGY RELIEF FUND.

The Treasurer of "the Clergy Relief Fund" of the Diocese of Easton makes the following report :

1876.

June 3. Cash balance on hand at date of last report\$46 90

Contributions received since last report :

June 10.	From St. Michael's Parish.....	\$28 00
"	" North Sassafras Parish.....	12 65
"	" North Elk Parish	6 75
"	" East Newmarket Parish	5 00
"	" All Saints' Church	12 50
"	" St. Paul's Parish, Kent County	20 00
"	" Great Choptank Parish.....	7 30
"	" Wye Parish	3 00
"	" a Lady	5 00
"	" Pocomoke Parish.....	4 35
"	" Chester Parish	8 86
"	" St. Peter's Parish	11 30
"	" St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish	1 41
June 12.	" St. James' Church	8 00
"	Making amount to this date	\$181 02
	One year's interest thereon at 6 per cent.....	10 86
Aug. 1.	Dividend on Masonic Hall stock	12 00

1877.

Jan. 2.	From St. James' Church, Port Deposit	2 52
Feb. 6.	Dividend on Masonic Hall stock	12 00
May 2.	From All Hallows' Parish.....	4 00
" 17	" Worcester Parish	5 00
" "	" Shrewsbury Parish.....	10 00
" "	" St. John's Parish, Caroline County	2 00
" 23	" Chester Parish	11 50
" "	" St. James' Church, Port Deposit	6 34
" 25	" Trinity Chapel, Easton	2 12
" "	" St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish	3 58
" "	" Great Choptank Parish	14 39
" "	" Somerset Parish.....	11 35
" "	" St. Peter's Parish	16 64
" "	" St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's Co.....	13 75
" "	" St. Luke's Parish	4 00
" 29	" North Sassafras Parish.....	28 00
" 31	" St. John's Church, Miles River Ferry	10 00
June 1	" Grace Church, Dorchester County.....	1 00
" "	" Trinity Church, Dorchester County	1 50
" 2	" Wye Parish	3 00

Amounting to \$366 57
in my hands June 2, 1877.

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

MANAGERS.

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Miss E. BERKELEY.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN.

Yours for Friendless Children in account with E. A. GOLDSBOROUGH.

SUBSCRIPTIONS FROM PARISHES.

Cecil County, North Elk Parish	\$ 26 25	
" " Trinity Parish, Trinity Church	8 30	
" " St. James' Church.....	10 00	
" " North Saxapfras Parish	39 73	
Total from Cecil County	————	\$83 28
New County, Chester Parish	48 12	
" " Shrewsbury	35 00	
" " North Kent	2 00	
Total from Kent County	————	85 12
Prince George's Wye Parish	3 25	
" " St. Paul's Parish.....	41 90	
" " St. Luke's Parish	3 10	
Total from Queen Anne's Co	————	48 25
St. Michael's Parish, Christ Church.....	59 28	
" " St. John's Church	19 00	
" " All Saints	32 11	
" " Christ Church	146 51	
St. Andrew's Parish	33 23	
St. Luke's Parish	11 99	
Total from Talbot County.....	————	302 12

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Caroline County, St. John's Parish, St. Paul's Church.....	16 50	
" " St. John's Parish, Ch. of the Holy Trinity.	11 92	
Total from Caroline County.....	—	28 42
Dorchester County, Great Choptank Parish	30 00	
" " East New Market Parish	2 37	
" " Grace Church	6 00	
Total from Dorchester County.....	—	38 37
Somerset County, Somerset Parish.....	18 06	
Total from Somerset County... ..	—	18 06
Worcester County, St. Mary's Church, Newtown	10 00	
" " All Hallows' Parish, Snow Hill	9 18	
" " Worcester Parish, St. Paul's Church	28 50	
Total from Worcester County	—	47 68
Total contributions from Parishes	652 30	
Donation from a lady, Feb. 1877.....	50 00	
Interest on loan and stock.....	380 00	
Miscellaneous receipts	30 97	
Balance from last year	81 00	
Total receipts	—	1194 27

EXPENDITURES.

Matron's salary	\$200 00
Assistant Matron's salary	120 00
Insurance	32 25
Supplies	310 66
Wages	33 00
Clothing	43 75
Medicine	11 70
Fuel	98 70
General expenses	140 05
Total expenses	\$990 11
Balance in bank	204 16
	—
	\$1194 27

MRS. G. R. GOLDSBOROUGH, *Treasurer.*

June 4th, 1877.

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CONVENTION ASSESSMENTS.

	For Diocesan Expenses, Due June 1873.	For Expenses of Gen- eral Convention, Due Sept. 1877.
St. John's, Caroline	\$8 00	\$2 50
St. Mary's Whitechapel	5 00	1 50
St. Mary Anne's	15 00	5 00
North Sassafras	40 00	13 50
Trinity, Elkton	20 00	8 00
St. James, Port Deposit	12 50	4 00
Dorchester Parish	8 00	2 50
East Newmarket	8 00	2 50
Great Choptank	30 00	10 00
Vienna	5 00	1 50
Chester Parish	45 00	15 00
I. U.	10 00	3 00
North Kent	25 00	8 00
St. Paul's, Kent	30 00	10 00
Shrewsbury	25 00	8 00
Wye Parish.....	10 00	2 50
Christ Church, Q. A.....	15 00	5 00
St. Luke's, Q. A... ..	5 00	1 50
St. Paul's, Q. A.	40 00	13 50
Coventry Parish.....	10 00	3 00
Somerset Parish.....	40 00	13 50
Pocomoke Parish	18 00	6 00
St. Michael's Parish ...	40 00	13 50
St. Peter's Parish	50 00	16 00
Whitemarsh Parish	25 00	8 00
Trinity Cathedral	10 00	2 50
Spring Hill Parish.....	30 00	10 00
All Hallows' Parish	18 00	6 00
Worcester Parish	15 00	5 00

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Moreover, every just man should be careful while he is in health, to make his Will, and to declare his Debts, what he oweth, and what is owing unto him, for the better discharging of his conscience and the quietness of his executors. Such persons as are of ability should be liberal to the poor.

Legacies may be left to the various charities and religious undertakings of the Diocese by the names and designations given herewith.

HENRY C. LAY.

Bishop of Easton.

1. "I give to the CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF EASTON," the sum of _____ Dollars for
 - a. the uses and purposes of said Convention: or
 - b. for the use of the Clergy Relief Fund of said Convention: or
 - c. for the use of the Episcopal Fund of said Diocese: or
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 - b. for the endowment thereof, the annual profits only to be expended: or
 - c. for charitable uses, to be expended by the Bishop of said Cathedral.
3. "I give to the HOME FOR THE FRIENDLESS CHILDREN OF THE EASTERN SHORE OF MARYLAND," _____ Dollars:
4. "I give to the VESTRY OF _____ PARISH:" or else
"I give to the CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF EASTON," as Trustees for _____ Parish, the sum of _____ Dollars, the annual proceeds thereof to be devoted to the support of the Rector, or to the repairs of the Church, or to any other object specified.

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1. *Journal of the American Veterinary Association*, Vol. 100, No. 1, p. 10, 1966.
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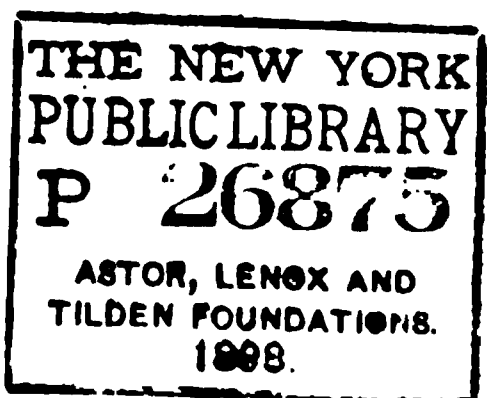
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LIST OF THE CLERGY

OF THE

DIOCESE OF EASTON, JUNE 5TH, 1878.

* * Those whose names are in *italics*, are not entitled to a seat in the Convention, and those marked with an * did not attend its sessions.

- Rt. Rev. HENRY C. LAY, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese.
 Rev. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D., Rector of Great Choptank Parish.
- “ * *John A. Thompson*, residing on Kent Island.
 - “ ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, Rector of St. Michael's Parish.
 - “ * GEORGE F. BEAVEN, Rector of St. John's Parish.
 - “ JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D., Deacon, Asst. Min. of Great Choptank Parish.
 - “ * *Thos. L. Green*, residing at Church Hill.
 - “ JOSEPH N. WATTSON, Rector of North Kent Parish.
 - “ JOHN O. BARTON, D. D., Rector of Somerset Parish.
 - “ JAMES A. MITCHELL, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's Co.
 - “ ROBERT WILSON, M. D., Rector of St. Peter's Parish.
 - “ JOHN MARTIN, Rector of Shrewsbury Parish.
 - “ E. J. STEARNS, D. D., Rector of St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.
 - “ * WILLIAM B. EVERETT, M. D., Rector of Wye Parish.
 - “ * GEORGE S. FITZHUGH, Rector of Whitemarsh Parish.
 - “ * *Edward G. Perryman*, residing in Baltimore.
 - “ STEPHEN C. ROBERTS, Rector of Chester Parish.
 - “ * C. H. WILLIAMSON, M. D., Rector of All Hallows' Parish.
 - “ HENRY A. SKINNER, Rector of Trinity Parish.
 - “ LEWIS WALKE, Rector of North Sassafras Parish.
 - “ SEWELL S. HEPBRON, Rector of St. Paul's, Kent Co., and I. U. Parishes.
 - “ E. K. MILLER, Rector of North Elk or St. Mary Anne's Parish.
 - “ * PHILIP D. THOMPSON, Rector of Christ Church Parish.
 - “ * *Pierre Du Gué Trapier*.
 - “ CHARLES E. MILNOR, Rector of Worcester Parish.
 - “ W. Y. BEAVEN, Assistant Minister of Trinity Cathedral.
 - “ GEORGE W. EASTER, Rector of St. James, Port Deposit.
 - “ * WILLARD G. DAVENPORT, Rector of St. Luke's.
 - “ W. WALLACE GREENE, Rector of Dorchester Parish.
 - “ JOHN V. STRYKER, Assistant Minister of Trinity Cathedral.
 - “ *J. H. B. Brooks*, Rector of Spring Hill Parish.
 - “ *Harrison Cruikshank*, M. D., Deacon.

In all, the Bishop, 29 Priests, 2 Deacons = 32.

LIST OF CLERGY,
WITH POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

- 1 The Rt. Rev. HENRY C. LAY, D. D., Easton, Talbot Co , Md.
- 2 " Rev. THEODORE P. BARBER, D. D., Cambridge, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 3 " " JOHN O. BARTON, Princess Anne, Somerset Co., Md.
- 4 " " GEORGE F. BEAVEN, Hillsborough, Caroline Co., Md.
- 5 " " W. Y. BEAVEN, Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
- 6 " " J. H. B. BROOKS, Salisbury, Wicomico Co., Md.
- 7 " " JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D., Cambridge, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 8 " " HARRISON CRUIKSHANK, New City, Rockland Co., N. Y.
- 9 " " ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, St. Michael's, Talbot Co., Md.
- 10 " " W. G. DAVENPORT, Church Hill, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 11 " " GEO. W. EASTER, Port Deposit, Cecil Co., Md.
- 12 " " WM. B. EVERETT, M. D., Wye Mills, Talbot Co., Md.
- 13 " " GEORGE S. FITZHUGH, Berlin, Worcester Co., Md.
- 14 " " THOS. L. GREEN, Church Hill, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 15 " " W. WALLACE GREENE, Church Creek, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 16 " " SEWELL S. HEPBRON, Fairleigh, Kent Co., Md.
- 17 " " JOHN MARTIN, Locust Grove, Kent Co., Md.
- 18 " " ENOCH K. MILLER, North-East, Cecil Co., Md.
- 19 " " CHARLES E. MILNOR, Berlin, Worcester Co., Md.
- 20 " " JAS. A MITCHELL, Centreville, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 21 " " EDWARD G. PERRYMAN, Perrymansville, Harford Co , Md.
- 22 " " STEPHEN C. ROBERTS, Chestertown, Kent Co., Md.
- 23 " " HENRY A. SKINNER, Elkton, Cecil Co., Md.
- 24 " " EDWARD J. STEARNS, D. D., Denton, Caroline Co., Md.
- 25 " " JOHN V. STRYKER, Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
- 26 " " JOHN A. THOMPSON, Kent Island, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 27 " " PHILIP D. THOMPSON, Kent Island, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 28 " " PIERRE DU GUÉ TRAPIER.
- 29 " " JOSEPH N. WATSON, Massey's, Kent Co., Md.
- 30 " " LEWIS WALKE, Cecilton, Cecil Co., Md.
- 31 " " CHAS. H. WILLIAMSON, M. D., Snow Hill, Worcester Co , Md.
- 32 " " ROBERT WILSON, M. D., Easton, Talbot Co., Md.

LIST
OF
PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS IN THE DIOCESE OF
EASTON, WITH THE CLERGY OF THE SAME;
AND OF
LAY DELEGATES TO THE TENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

Lay Delegates marked with an * did not attend.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

	<i>Lay Delegates.</i>
St. John's Parish.	
St. Paul's Church, Hillsborough,	
Church of the Holy Trinity, Greensborough,	
Rev. George F. Heaven, Rector.	James M. Wooters.
St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish,	
Christ Church, Denton,	
Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., Rector.	*Geo. M. Russum.

CECIL COUNTY.

Augustine Parish.	
St. Augustine Church.	
North Elk or St. Mary Anne's Parish.	
St. Mary Anne's Church, Northeast,	
St. Mark's Chapel, Perryville,	
Rev. Enoch K. Miller, Rector,	Henry S. Coudon.
North Sassafras Parish.	
St. Stephen's Church,	
Rev. Lewis Walke, Rector.	W. P. Davis.
Trinity Parish.	
Trinity Church, Elkton,	
Rev. Henry A. Skinner, Rector.	R. C. Mackall, M. D.
St. James' Church.	
St. James' Church, Port Deposit,	
Rev. Geo. W. Easter, Rector.	*R. C. Hopkins.

DORCHESTER COUNTY.**Dorchester Parish.**

Trinity Church, Church Creek,
 Grace Church, Taylor's Island,
 Rev. W. W. Greene, Rector.

Lay Delegates.

*R. L. Spilman.

East New Market Parish.

St. Stephen's Church, East New Market.
 Rector.

*E. S. Johnson.

Great Choptank Parish.

Christ Church, Cambridge,
 St. John's Chapel, Castle Haven Neck,
 Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., Rector.
 Rev. Jas. L. Bryan, M. D., Deacon,
 Assistant Minister.

*Wm. R. Hayward, M. D.

M. W. Goldsborough.

Vienna Parish.

St. Paul's Church, Vienna,
 Rector.

W. S. Craft

KENT COUNTY.**Chester Parish.**

St. Paul's Church, Chestertown,
 Rev. Stephen C. Roberts, Rector.

Wm. S. Walker.

I. U. Parish.

Christ Church,
 Rev. Sewell S. Hepbron, Rector.

W. S. Thompson.

North Kent Parish.

St. Clement's Church, Massey's,
 Chapel of the Holy Cross, Millington,
 Rev. Jos N. Wattson, Rector.

L. M. Bean.

St. Paul's Parish.

St. Paul's Church,
 Rev. Sewell S. Hepbron, Rector.

Shrewsbury Parish,

Shrewsbury Church,
 St. Andrew's Chapel, Galena,
 Rev. John Martin, Rector.

*J. M. Armstrong.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.**Christ Church Parish.**

Christ Church, Kent Island,
 Rev. Philip D. Thompson, Rector.

*Ed. C. Legg.

St. Luke's Parish.

St. Luke's Church, Church Hill,
 Rev. W. G. Davenport, Rector.

Jos. E. George.

St. Paul's Parish.

St. Paul's Church, Centreville,
 Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell, Rector.

Saml. T. Earle, M. D.

List of Parishes, &c.

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QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT COUNTIES.

Wye Parish.

Lay Delegates.

St. Luke's Church, Queenstown,

St. Luke's Chapel, Wye,

Rev. Wm. B. Everett, M. D., Rector. W. R. Davidson.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Coventry Parish.

Rehoboth Church, Rehoboth,

St. Paul's Church, Annamessex,

St. Mark's Church, Kingston,

St. Stephen's Church, Fairmount.

Somerset Parish.

All Saints' Church, Monie,

St. Andrew's Church, Princess Anne,

Rev. John O. Barton, Rector.

W. H. Gale, M. D.

Wicomico Parish.

Grace Church.

SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

Pocomoke Parish.

St. Mary's Church, Newtown,

St. Stephen's Chapel, Naswaddux,

Rector.

S. S. McMaster.

TALBOT COUNTY.

St. Michael's Parish.

St. Michael's Church, St. Michael's,

St. John's Church, Miles River Ferry,

St. Paul's Chapel, Royal Oak,

Rev. Erastus F. Dashiell, Rector.

Geo. R. Goldsborough.

All Saints' Parish, (Provisional.)

All Saints' Church, Longwoods,

In charge of the Bishop.

St. Peter's Parish.

Christ Church, Easton,

Rev. Robt. Wilson, M. D., Rector.

I. L. Adkins, M. D.

Church of the Holy Trinity, Oxford.

Whitemarsh Parish.

St. Peter's Church, Whitemarsh,

St. Paul's Church, Trappe,

Rev. Geo. S. Fitzhugh, Rector.

Jos. B. Seth.

*Diocesan Convention of Easton.***Trinity Cathedral.***Lay Delegates.*

Trinity Chapel,

Chapel of the Holy Cross, Easton Point,

The Bishop, Rector.

Rev. John V. Stryker and Rev. W. Y.

Beaven, Asst. Ministers.

J. F. Bateman.**WICOMICO COUNTY.****St. Matthew's Parish.**

St. Matthew's Church.

Spring Hill Parish.

St. Peter's Church,

St. Peter's Chapel, Salisbury,

St. Philip's Chapel, Quantico,

Rev. J. H. B. Brooks, Rector.

Wm. Waller.**Stepney Parish.**

Stepney Church, Green Hill,

St. Mary's Chapel, Tyaskin.

WORCESTER COUNTY.**All Hallows' Parish.**

All Hallows' Church, Snow Hill,

St. John's Church, Traptown,

Chapel of the Holy Cross, Sandy Hill,

Rev. C. H. Williamson, M. D., Rector.

Worcester Parish.

St. Paul's Church, Berlin,

St. Martin's Church, St. Martin,

Rev. Charles E. Milnor, Rector.

John S. Purnell.

In all, 34 Incorporated Parishes and Congregations (represented at the Tenth Annual Convention by 19 Lay Delegates), and 56 Churches and Chapels.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES OF THE TENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

OFFICERS:

The Right Rev. HENRY CHAMPLIN LAY, D. D., LL. D.,
President.

The Rev. JAS. L. BRYAN, M. D.,
Secretary, Cambridge, Md.

WM. S. WALKER, ESQ.,
Assistant Secretary, Chestertown, Md.

THOMAS HUGHLETT, ESQ.,
Treasurer of the Convention, Easton, Md.

I. L. ADKINS, M. D.,
Treasurer Diocesan Missions Fund, Easton.

E. L. F. HARDCASTLE,
Treasurer Clergy Relief Fund, Easton, Md.

The Rev. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D.,
Registrar of the Diocese, Cambridge, Md.

Standing Committee:

the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., (President); the Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell,
(Secretary); the Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., the Rev. E. F. Dashiell,
the Rev. Robert Wilson, M. D.

Ecclesiastical Court:

the Rev. Joseph N. Wattson, the Rev. George F. Beaven, the Rev. S. C.
Roberts.

Trustees of the Episcopal Fund:

Messrs. Richard B. Carmichael, I. L. Adkins, M. D., H. H. Dashiell,
Geo. R. Goldsborough, E. L. F. Hardcastle, Wm. S. Walker, Charles
Lowndes.

Board of Diocesan Missions:

the Bishop of the Diocese (President), the Rev. Lewis Walke, the Rev.
Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., Messrs.
I. L. Adkins, M. D., (Treasurer), Jos. E. Chamberlaine, M. D.

Trustees of the General Theological Seminary:

the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, the Rev. Jos. N. Wattson, the Rev. E. J.
Stearns, D. D., the Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell.

The Board of Examiners in Theology :

the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., the Rev. E. F. Dashiell.

Trustees of the Clergy Relief Fund :

the Bishop (President *ex-officio*), the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, the Rev. Robert Wilson, M. D., and Messrs. E. L. F. Hardcastle and John C. Earle, M. D.

Deputies to the General Convention :

Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., Mr. Wm. S. Walker, Mr. R. C. Mackall, M. D., Mr. Isaac L. Adkins, M. D., Mr. Geo. R. Goldsborough.

RULES OF ORDER.

- 1. The business of every day shall be introduced with Prayer.**
- 2. This Convention shall sit for the dispatch of business, beginning with Divine service, at such hours as each Convention may determine.**
- 3. At the opening of the Session, the Convention shall be called to order by the Bishop; or, if there be no Bishop, or he be absent, by the President of the Standing Committee, or by some member of that body, appointed by those of its members who may be present.**
- 4. The names of the Clergymen, from a list furnished by the Bishop, and if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee, shall then be called over by the Secretary of the last Convention, or, in his absence, by some person appointed by the Bishop, or other person, who called the Convention to order. The Lay Delegates shall then lay their Certificates upon the table, and subscribe the Declaration required by the Constitution. If a quorum of both orders appear, the Bishop, if present, shall announce the fact, and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.**
- 5. In case of the absence of the Bishop, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the person, who called the Convention to order, shall announce that there is a quorum present. The Convention shall then proceed to elect a President, according to the seventh article of the Constitution; who shall, so soon as his election is completed, take the chair and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.**
- 6. The first business after that declaration is made, either by the Bishop or the President, shall be the election of a Secretary. The Chair may then appoint an Assistant Secretary and the Committees mentioned in the next Rule.**
- 7. The following Committees shall be appointed by the Chair: one on Rights of Clergymen to Seats in this Convention, consisting of three Clergymen; one on Elections, to consist of three Laymen, to whom the testimonials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred; one on Accounts, to consist of three Laymen; one on Parochial Contributions and Assessments, to consist of one Clergyman and four Laymen; one on the Admission of New Parishes and Congregations into union with this Convention, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman; one on the Episcopal Fund, to consist of two Laymen and one Clergyman; and one on Canons and other business, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman. The Chair shall also appoint all other Committees, for the appointment of which no other provision is made, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.**
- 8. Every member shall take his seat when the President takes the chair, and remain uncovered, until he shall have left the Convention.**
- 9. Every member, who shall speak in any debate, shall stand up in his place, and respectfully address himself to the President.**

10. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the President shall decide who shall speak first.

11. No member shall speak more than twice in any debate, without leave. If any member shall rise to speak more than twice on the same question without leave, the President shall call him to order. No member shall be interrupted, while he is speaking in order.

12. Any member, who is speaking, shall take his seat, when called to order by the President or any other member.

13. No member shall speak to another, so as to interrupt any member who may be speaking in debate.

14. No motion shall be debated, until the same shall be seconded, and, if desired by any member, reduced to writing and read by the Secretary.

15. When a motion is made and seconded, the matter of the motion shall receive a determination by the question, before any motion not privileged, shall be received.

16. Privileged motions, in their order of precedence, shall be, to adjourn, to postpone indefinitely, to lay on the table, to amend, and to offer a substitute; the question on the first three to be taken without debate.

17. If a question contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

18. All questions of Order shall be decided by the President; but there shall be a right of appeal to the Convention.

19. A question, being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention; and shall not be again drawn into debate during the session, except with the consent of two-thirds of the Convention.

20. No question shall be taken on any Report, unless upon a motion to print or re-commit it; but Reports shall, as of course, lie upon the table. If a Committee deem any action of the Convention desirable, it shall be their duty to present in writing such Resolutions, Acts, or Canons as they may think it should adopt; which only shall be subject to the action of the Convention. Every act which divides a Parish, or in any way affects Parish Boundaries, shall distinctly set out the new Boundaries, which it is intended to establish. The Convention will not act upon any proposed Resolution, Act, or Canon, which is not conformed to the provisions of this rule.

21. All Elections shall be by ballot, unless otherwise ordered; the votes of the Clergy and Laity shall be received and counted separately; but the vote shall be regarded as a joint one; and the election shall be decided by a majority of the whole number of votes taken together, unless a vote by Orders shall have been required, agreeably to the fifth article of the Constitution.

22. It shall be the order of the day at 12 M. on the second day of the session of the Convention, to elect the Standing Committee, and the other officers whom it is the duty of the Convention to appoint.

23. The foregoing rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions, until altered, or rescinded; and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

THE TENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION *of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton*, assembled in Trinity Church, Elkton, on Wednesday, the 5th day of June, 1878, at 9½ o'clock A. M.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Mr. Mitchell.

The Ante-Communion Service was said by the Rev. Dr. Barber.

The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. Mr. Wilson, from Matt. xiii. part of verse 31.

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Bishop.

During the Morning Service, Mr. Harrison Cruikshank, M. D., was ordained Deacon by the Bishop of the Diocese.

Divine Service concluded, the Right Rev. the President called the Convention to order. The Rev. Jas. L. Bryan, Secretary of the last Convention, proceeded to call the roll of the Clergy entitled to seats, from a list furnished by the Bishop, when the following answered to their names :

The Rt. Rev. the Bishop,	
" Rev. Dr. Barber,	
" " " Barton,	
" " Mr. W. Y. Beaven,	
" " " Bryan,	
" " " Dashiell,	
" " " Easter,	
" " " Greene,	
" " " Hepbron,	
" " " Martin,	

The Rev. Mr. Miller,	
" " " Milnor,	
" " " Mitchell,	
" " " Roberts,	
" " " Skinner,	
" " Dr. Stearns,	
" " Mr. Stryker,	
" " " Walke,	
" " " Wattson,	
" " " Wilson.	

The Rev. Messrs. Brooks and Cruikshank were also present, though not entitled to seats.

The certificates of Lay Delegates being laid upon the Secretary's desk, the list of such Delegates was read, when the following answered to their names :

Mr. Adkins,	Mr. Geo. R. Goldsborough,
" Bean,	" Mackall,
" Craft,	" Waller,
" Coudon,	" Walker,
" Davis,	" Wooters.
" George,	=11.

A quorum of both orders being present, the President announced that the Convention was duly organized, and that the first business in order was the election of a Secretary.

The Rev. Jas. L. Bryan was nominated, and there being no other nomination, an election by ballot was dispensed with, and the Rev. Mr. Bryan was re-elected.

The President appointed Mr. William S. Walker, Assistant Secretary.

The President announced the following Committees :

On Rights of Clergymen to Seats.—The Rev. Messrs. Mitchell, Easter and Milnor.

On Elections.—Messrs. Coudon, Waller and Wooters.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barber, it was

Resolved, That the Clergymen of other Dioceses, who have favored us with their presence, Clergymen and officers of this Diocese not entitled to seats, together with the Vestry of Trinity Parish, Elkton, be invited to attend the sittings of this Convention.

Upon this invitation, the Rev. Dr. Morton, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Messrs. Brooks and Cruikshank, of this Diocese, took seats in the Convention.

On motion of Mr. Mackall, it was

Resolved, That when this Convention adjourns, it be to 4 P. M., and

that the sessions of the Convention be from 9½ A. M. to 1 P. M., and at 4 P. M. and 8 P. M.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

4 P. M.

The President called the Convention to order.

The Rev. Mr. Mitchell, from the Committee on Rights of Clergymen to Seats, reported the following list of Clergymen entitled to seats, viz: The Rt. Rev. the Bishop, the Revs. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., John O. Barton, D. D., George F. Beaven, W. Y. Beaven, Jas. L. Bryan, E. F. Dashiell, W. G. Davenport, G. W. Easter, W. B. Everett, G. S. Fitzhugh, W. W. Greene, S. S. Hepbron, John Martin, E. K. Miller, C. E. Milnor, J. A. Mitchell, S. C. Roberts, H. A. Skinner, E. J. Stearns, D. D., J. V. Stryker, P. D. Thompson, J. N. Wattson, Lewis Walke, C. H. Williamson, R. Wilson.

Mr. Coudon, from the Committee on Elections, reported the following Lay Delegates as entitled to seats, viz: Messrs. J. L. Adkins, J. M. Armstrong, L. M. Bean, J. F. Bateman, W. S. Craft, H. S. Coudon, W. P. Davis, W. R. Davidson, S. T. Earle, J. E. George, W. H. Gale, G. R. Goldsborough, M. W. Goldsborough, W. R. Hayward, R. C. Hopkins, E. S. Johnson, E. C. Legg, R. C. Mackall, S. S. McMaster, John R. Purnell, G. M. Russum, J. B. Seth, R. L. Spilman, W. S. Thompson, W. Waller, W. S. Walker, J. M. Wooters.

The President announced the following Committees :

Committee on Accounts.—Joseph E. George, L. M. Bean, W. S. Craft.

On Parochial Assessments.—Rev. Mr. Mitchell, W. H. Gale, R. C. Mackall, Wm. S. Walker, G. R. Goldsborough.

On the Episcopal Fund.—Rev. Mr. Dashiell, Henry S. Coudon, W. R. Hayward.

On Canons.—Rev. Dr. Barber, Rev. Dr. Stearns, J. F. Bateman.

On State of the Church.—Rev. Mr. Wilson, Rev. Mr. Martin, Rev. Mr. Walke, W. R. Davidson, W. S. Thompson.

On Admission of New Parishes.—Rev. Mr. Wattson, S. T. Earle, William Waller.

The Bishop then read his Annual Address.

ADDRESS OF THE BISHOP.

BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND OF THE LAITY:

In the goodness of God we are met together, to hold brotherly communion, and to consider such matters as may conduce to the prosperity of His kingdom within the diocese entrusted to our care.

Well may we be grateful for the measure of peace and prosperity which has been accorded us, and for the preservation of health and life. Year after year we have seen almost the same faces here, and no inroad has been made by death into the ranks of our clergy.

The last year, however, has been marked by an unusual mortality, and the death of three Presbyters beloved has decimated our company of spiritual fathers.

The Rev. James W. Hoskins, Rector of East New Market and Vienna Parishes, died on the first day of September last. The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Barber and myself.

Mr. Hoskins had been an invalid for several years, and an organic disease of the heart disabled him for arduous duties. His good sense, his uprightness and kind dispositions had endeared him to many friends. His death was long expected, and he received the last offices of our religion to his comfort, just before his departure.

The death of the Rev. William Fulton, D. D., Rector of Spring Hill Parish, which occurred on the sixth day of December last, was a painful shock to us all. He seemed to be the most stalwart of the clergy. He was in the full vigor of manhood. He never wearied, and asked no indulgence or intermission in his labors.

I was assisted at the funeral by several of the clergy. The Rev. John Fulton, D. D., brother of the deceased, was also present.

Our departed brother was a Scotchman, and showed the traits peculiar to his race. He delighted in metaphysical speculation, and was laborious in reading and in writing. He excelled also in ready speech, and was always the leader in our convocation addresses. In point of intellectual ability he stood confessedly foremost in the community where he lived.

He knew not how to make himself popular. His manner was brusque and void of demonstrativeness. But his really good heart, his intellectual power and mental discipline, his downright honesty and outspoken truthfulness, gave him a strong hold upon the whole community.

I was profoundly impressed with the unostentatious and reverential sorrow which was shown in Salisbury on this occasion. The funeral being on Sunday, the churches, one and all, in town and its vicinity were closed : and brethren not of our communion were eager to testify their respect for him. I never saw such a funeral. The church could contain but a portion of those who assembled, and the long procession to the graveyard showed that the whole public mourned their loss.

When a clergyman dies, a real veneration for his memory will show itself, not in an ostentatious funeral and in expensive floral tributes, but rather in an earnest solicitude to perpetuate his work, and in sympathy for his bereaved family. Thus judged the Vestry of this Parish. Without so much as a day's delay they proceeded to supply the vacancy in the Rectorship ; and they took measures at once to secure for the widow and the orphans the comfort of a settled home. Should they need, in order to accomplish this design, some aid from brethren in other parishes, I hope they may find a favorable response to their application.

Another sorrow still awaited us. It is no disparagement to those who have finished their ministry and to those who are still labouring in the word and doctrine, to say our last bereavement is the sorest that could have befallen us.

The Rev. John Crosdale, D. D., Rector of Pocomoke Parish, fell asleep in Jesus on the eleventh day of March in the present

year. Dr. Fulton was barely fifty years old ; Dr. Crosdale had not yet reached his sixtieth year.

Dr. Crosdale, besides being the Senior Presbyter, was by unanimous consent the Foreman of the Diocese. He asked no precedence or promotion, but all delighted to do him honor. His long service and invincible patience, his well-balanced judgment, his singular courtesy and consideration for others, made all to love him dearly.

It is a rare example of patience that he has left us. Here was one to whom promotion was open at any moment ; one who fully realized, as he frankly told me, that in other spheres offered him he could have done far more justice to himself and to his own intellectual development ; one who felt that he was kept back from his highest possibilities by narrowness of means and incessant routine duties ; and yet for a third of a century he abode in one field, simply because it seemed inevitable, that if he abandoned it, the work must slacken and eventually die out. In this respect his example is invaluable. Constancy in ministration is among the secrets of ministerial success. Good as John Crosdale was, if his thirty years had been devoted to half a dozen parishes in succession, he could have left no such results at the last.

When a monument shall be erected over his grave, I would fain inscribe upon it the sentence, "As poor, yet making many rich." For his was a poor life and a hard one, and yet he gave much away.

And if this Diocese shall ever have, as I devoutly trust and pray it may have, if not now, at least in the days of some one who shall come not long after me, a real cathedral, I hope that the first memorial set up therein shall be in honor of John Crosdale as the Father of the Diocese. For if our separate churches organisation has served to arrest a tendency to decay, in the future it shall serve to invigorate and to foster spiritual life. It should be remembered that when the division of the old Diocese seemed chimerical, it was the reverence entertained for Crosdale which wanted for it any consideration at all, it was the reverence which carried it through in spite of much opposition.

How much is my own great sorrow, that I am deprived of

so great a support. I do not envy him his rest. I never think of him but my heart is glad by reason of him. How sweetly must he rest after a life like his! Nor can I doubt that his resting-time is not idleness. He has carried his Priesthood with him ; surely that was what we meant when we clothed him with a surplice for his shroud ; and he ministers still before the Lord, although we know not how. But the Bishop is much poorer than he was. John Crosdale loved the Diocese and believed in the Diocese and worked for the Diocese. There was no congregationalism about him ; no parochial isolation ; no severance of his work from the work we are doing in common. The Diocese of Easton was the thing dearest to his heart. Some there are who are like-minded ; but too many, alas ! deem the Parishes the units, and the Diocese only a strand to hold them in mechanical attachment. I had hoped that Dr. Crosdale would live long enough to inspire in others his Diocesan enthusiasm ; to persuade others that the Diocese is the living and complete organism, and that upon its inherent vitality must depend the thrift and growth of its several members.

I suppose that it is well known to you all that the life of Dr. Crosdale was cut short by reason of the excessive labors and fatigues of several years past in supplying the three churches of Coventry as well as the congregations of Pocomoke, of which he was properly Rector. He himself told me very calmly, more than a year ago, that he knew his life was endangered ; and we were to have met about the time when he was stricken down, to confer about such arrangements as could release him from the missionary services.

It may be asked, why did the Missionary Board of the Diocese permit this sacrifice. It is but justice to ourselves to say that for several years past we have labored to this end, but did not insist upon his resignation in deference to his own wishes. Although he had no family of his own, there were those for whom he deemed it his duty to provide. While his salary as Rector would have sufficed for his personal needs, he thought that the Providence of God had laid these other responsibilities upon him ; and thus the need of this missionary stipend concurred with his desire to revive the old Parish of Coventry. Much as we regretted to see him so burdened, we did not feel at

liberty. against his wishes, to withdraw from him the missionary work which he had assumed.

Do not think, Brethren, that it is in the spirit of self-indulgence, or for the sake of mere eulogy, that I have said so much about our departed brother, or that in view of the loving tribute paid to his memory by the preacher of last evening, further comment is superfluous. The truth is, I know of no employment that can just now profit us more, or more set forward our work, than to realize distinctly the nobleness, the purity, the high devotion of the life and character of this holy man of God. Our fields of labor are none of them harder and more unpromising than his often seemed to be. Let us, none of us, be discontented or despondent. A life so simple, so well-proportioned and so beautiful, a character so disinterested and self-forgetful, should lead us to magnify the grace which the Lord has bestowed upon his servants, and incite us all to a truer crucifying of the flesh in all the meanness of its self-indulgence and the pitifulness of its poor ambitions.

Although his personal needs were such as to require him to sell his books not long ago, yet by means of life insurance Dr. Crossdale was enabled to bequeath several sums of money to religious uses. Himself unmarried, he saw that the Parish of Pocomoke would need a Rectory after his departure, and he has left a legacy for this purpose which will probably amount to fourteen hundred dollars, besides smaller sums immediately or ultimately available for the support of the clergy officiating in Pocomoke and Twenty Parishes.

CONFIRMATIONS.

Confirmations have been held in 26 Parishes, as follows :

St. John's, Caroline,	. . . . .	4
St. Mary's Whitechapel,	. . . . .	2
North Blk.	. . . . .	10
North Somerset,	. . . . .	2
Trinity Blk.	. . . . .	3
St. James' Plut Deposit,	. . . . .	9
Providence.	. . . . .	3
St. Ann Market.	. . . . .	4
St. Ann	. . . . .	2

Great Choptank,	10
Chester,	9
North Kent,	6
St. Paul's, Kent,	3
Shrewsbury,	7
St. Luke's, Queen Anne's,	13
St. Paul's, "	4
Wye,	6
Somerset,	3
Pocomoke,	1
All Saints,	4
St. Peter's,	6
Trinity Cathedral,	1
Spring Hill,	6
All Hallows,	8

Being in all, one hundred and twenty-six.

DIOCESAN OFFICERS.

I have confirmed the nominations made to me by the several Convocations as follows: Rev. Lewis Walke, Dean of the Northern Convocation; Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., Dean of the Middle Convocation; and Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., Dean of the Southern Convocation.

I appoint as the Examining Chaplains of the Diocese, the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., and the Rev. E. F. Dashiell.

CANONICAL NOTICES.

I have given my official consent to the consecration of the Rev. Dr. George F. Seymour, Bishop elect of Springfield; and also of the Rev. Alex. Burgess, D. D., Bishop elect of Quincy; and of the Rev. George W. Peterkin, Bishop elect of West Virginia.

I have received notices of deposition from the ministry as follows:

Samuel J. Corneille, by the Bishop of Central New York.

Jesse M. Williams (deacon), by the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania.

Nicholas J. Seely, by the Bishop of Connecticut.

William Gill (deacon), by the Missionary Bishop of Colorado.

James S. Harrison, by the Bishop of Florida.

Franklin W. Adams, by the Bishop of Illinois.

Edward H. Harlow, by the Bishop of Iowa.

Samuel Cutter, by the Bishop of Massachusetts.

Edward Victor Beales (deacon), by the Bishop of Missouri.

Robert A. Simpson, by the Bishop of North Carolina.

Walter S. Whitcomb (deacon), by the Bishop of New Hampshire.

George Burton, by the Bishop of Oregon.

George H. Jackson (deacon), by the Bishop of Tennessee.

Lorenzo D. Ferguson, by the Bishop of Western Michigan.

William Newton, by the Bishop of Pennsylvania; and

Francis P. Mackall, by the Bishop of Northern New Jersey.

Mournful as is the record of these acts of discipline, we may well congratulate ourselves upon the absence of scandal, vexation, and expense in relieving the Church of those who by reason of misconduct, inefficiency, or discontent cannot be allowed to continue their ministrations. For once something is left to the discretion of the Bishop. With the consent of the accused person, he has authority to adjudicate the case without the pain of a public trial. Seeing that it must needs be that offences come, our canons have wisely provided for a method of removing them which, while it does not endanger the innocent, is prompt, efficient, and free from unnecessary publicity.



ORDINATION.

The Rev. Harrison Cruikshank was ordained to the Diaconate this morning.

CLERGY LIST.

Three of the clergy have been removed by death, viz.: the Rev. James W. Hoskins, the Rev. William Fulton, D. D., and the Rev. John Crosdale, D. D.

Two others have been transferred, viz.: the Rev. Joseph W. Turner to the Diocese of Mississippi; and the Rev. Richard Allen to the Diocese of Indiana.

The Rev. John V. Stryker has been received into the Diocese by letters dimissory from the Bishop of Western New York, and has become assistant minister in Trinity Cathedral. The Rev.

James H. B. Brooks has been received from the Diocese of Delaware, and has become Rector of Spring Hill Parish. The Rev. **Harrison Cruikshank** has been added by ordination to the Diaconate.

There are two Postulants for Holy Orders, and one candidate for Priest's Orders.

CONSECRATION OF CHURCH.

On the sixth day of April, 1878, I consecrated, in Shrewsbury Parish, St. Andrew's Church, Galena.

The completion of this chapel is very gratifying, as the culmination of many years of effort.

SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL ACTS.

Deacon ordained,	1
Confirmations,	126
Church consecrated,	1

CHARTER OF THE DIOCESE.

I herewith submit for your consideration a certified copy of an Act passed by the Legislature of Maryland at its late session, to take effect "from the day when an official certificate of its acceptance by the Convention shall be filed with the Secretary of State."

It is entitled "An Act to explain certain corporate powers and privileges heretofore conferred, and also to confer certain additional powers and privileges upon the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton, by authorizing it to receive by gift, devise, or otherwise, contributions in money, land or other property, and to hold the same for the purposes therein mentioned."

The Act thus submitted to you defines and enlarges, and also relieves from any possible ambiguity, the second section of the original Act of Incorporation, as printed on page 80 of the Convention Journal of 1870. It confers upon the Convention ample power to receive and administer legacies and gifts for all diocesan, parochial and charitable uses.

There are sound reasons for entrusting to the Convention rather than to the Vestry the custody and administration of funds intended for religious uses. Experience has proved that when

money is invested within the parish, among friends and neighbors, the personal considerations which come in seriously interfere with a strict observance of the rules of caution necessary in all business transactions. The Convention, through its financial officers, can be impersonal in its management.

Moreover, these officers are required to make an annual report, which is scrutinized by a committee. All such reports are spread upon the Journal and open to inspection, and are of permanent record.

I very earnestly recommend that all bequests and gifts for religious uses should be made to the Convention of the Diocese, suitable instructions being added.

The Rev. Dr. Crosdale, whose practical wisdom we all revere, recognized the peculiar suitableness of making the Convention the custodian of charity; and in making sundry devises for the benefit of Pocomoke and Coventry Parishes, he directs that the sums in question be paid "to the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Easton, State of Maryland, as trustee for said parish, for the purpose of building a rectory," or elsewhere, "the annual interest thereof to be devoted to the support of the Rector of said parish for the time being."

A new class of duties, it will be perceived, is thus devolved upon the Treasurer of the Convention. There will be funds to invest and annuities to pay. The responsibility of selecting suitable investments especially is too great to devolve upon any one officer. It will be therefore for the Convention in its discretion to make the necessary provision for receiving, investing and disbursing the moneys for which it is trustee.

In connection with this matter, I submit for your information a copy of a special Act of the Legislature of Maryland, authorizing the Convention to receive and administer the bequests of the Rev. John Crosdale.

REVIEW OF THE DIOCESE.

In looking over the general aspect of the Diocese, we are not without cause for congratulation. We are pained indeed to know that we are met by overt act and open profession, accepted the ~~truth~~ ^{truth} and yet, so far as abundant labor on the part of ~~a~~ ^a ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~clergy~~ ^{clergy}, this year has exceeded. Our salaries

have been so small, that I have encountered refusal after refusal in the effort to supply vacant parishes. I do not know that it would have been possible for me under any circumstances to have attended the Conference of Bishops at Lambeth, important as it is that this Church should be there represented by a goodly number of her Bishops. But I have felt so reluctant to absent myself until I had exhausted every effort to secure the ministerial supply so sorely needed, that I have not entertained the thought. In many places, congregations that were almost dead are now full of life; in many others, churches and chapels are in progress. The revived interest is nowhere more apparent than in Kent County.

Any account of my episcopal labors would be imperfect which did not include the Cathedral in embryo, and yet I am disposed to be reticent about it. It is confessedly an experiment, undertaken under great difficulties, with the smallest capital and not much sympathy. It is a novelty for a Bishop to demand an independent sphere of religious activity, and to claim the right to influence and lead the thought and the effort of his people, instead of adding a personal contribution to the policies devised by others. But if I can ultimately vindicate the reality of my office as the Chief Shepherd of the Diocese, I shall have accomplished something towards the Church of the future.

And it is for this Church of the future that we should all labor and pray. May the good day come when God's house shall be His house only; when no amount of contribution or tradition of family shall authorize personal claims, but the poor man and the humble shall know that he is heartily and honestly welcome; the day when Bishops and Rectors and Vestries shall feel themselves responsible for all the souls within the territorial limits assigned them, and services be established where sinful men most need them, instead of confining them to the few who make up the salary; the day when laymen shall realize that their Christian calling is to work, as well as privilege, and shall offer their services as willingly as their money.

Let us not disguise the fact that we are almost a skeleton diocese. We have a good organization; we are well officered by parish ministers; we have an excellent spirit of zeal and brotherliness. But we lack the material to operate upon. We have not the heart and the confidence of the multitude. It is not in pride

or in mere denominational envy, but under a deep conviction that each individual soul of man has its own significance and value, that we should strive to make the Church in this diocese, not the Church of the poor, but the Church of the people, rich and poor alike.

There is one of our congregations which is now in serious difficulties, and which has a claim upon our sympathies and help. St. James' Church, Port Deposit, is so seriously involved as to cause some anxiety for its continuance. If things had continued as they were when this missionary enterprise was undertaken, it would have been a success; but besides the disasters common to all, twice has the ice-gorge caused a flood by which the business of Port Deposit was ruined. The parishioners propose to do all in their power to relieve the embarrassment, and if they thus seek to help themselves, they will deserve aid from others.

Allow me to remind you of the offerings for our Clergy Relief Fund. It falls this year after the Convention, instead of before as usual. Moreover, Whitsunday being also the second Sunday in June, it conflicts with the quarterly collection for Diocesan Missions. It may be well to defer the usual collection until Trinity Sunday, only let every parish, year by year, assist in building up this fund so essential to the Diocese and to its clergy.

HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN.

The interesting Home for little girls, established under the auspices of the Diocese at Easton, continues its work of love. There are twenty-two children in the house, and their behavior is such as to warrant the expectation that they will become useful Christian women. They are usually obedient and happy, affectionate to their guardians and to each other.

The managers of the House seek to provide for these children comfortably but not luxuriously. A plain English education is given them, and all are instructed in sewing and in household work, according to age and capacity. The managers are careful not to take them out of the state of life to which it has pleased God to call them, but to fit and prepare them to do their duty religiously in that state.

I am asked* what do we propose to do with these girls?

*The following resolutions, made later in the session, are here inserted in deference to the expressed wish of the Convention.

I answer that each one, as she arrives at a suitable age, is to be put in the way of making her living by honest industry. Regard will be had to the best interests and apparent capacity of the individual, and the opportunities presented for occupation in household work, mantua-making or other like employment.

One girl has found a home in the family of Gen'l Thomas, the Cashier of the Easton Bank, where she is being trained in all domestic duties. Another was withdrawn from the Home, by reason of imperfection in her indentures, when a like arrangement had been agreed upon.

And then the question is asked, why not send them out as fast as good homes can be found for them?

To this I answer, that most of the children were mere babes at the time of their admission. We must give them time to grow.

Moreover, the housework of a family of twenty-four persons is very considerable. The few larger girls are not more than are necessary to do the work of the house, and to take care of the little ones.

For myself, I am afraid to send them forth among strangers, until they have been well instructed in Christian doctrine, until sound religious habits have been formed, and that discretion attained, without which a child, away from a mother's oversight, is easily led astray.

Hence, I have insisted that they should be kept for some years under the fostering influences of the Home, before they are launched out into the world.

I can but think that if we are faithful and patient in this work, we shall see the result hereafter in the quiet usefulness and religious example of the girls who have been the subjects of Christian training.

THE CHURCH AT LARGE.

Among the subjects prominent in the late General Convention, was the propriety of dividing the Church into Provinces, each Province to comprehend several States, and of establishing Provincial Councils.

Having served for several years on a committee to whom this

matter was confided, it has been the subject of most careful thought.

My objections to the whole scheme are substantially as follows :

1. Any such division must be purely arbitrary. There are no demarcations of nationality or dialect, such as have naturally led, in times past, to the conferring of a certain autonomy upon the Church in a given district.

2. Such division is unnecessary. The facilities of travel and correspondence in this century, make it entirely practicable for the whole Church to assemble by its representatives. Every one knows that the division of the Church of England into the Northern and Southern Provinces, has been attended with serious inconveniences.

3. I consider that when the scheme comes to be drawn out into particulars, it will be found simply impossible.

If we are to have Provincial Councils, we must attribute to them some powers, and how shall this be done? We cannot invent any new functions, and we must borrow them either from the General or from the Diocesan Convention.

There is confusion enough already, owing to the uncertainties of the boundary line between these two bodies. If, without attempting definition, we interpolate a third Synod, the problem of "the three bodies" will be found insoluble.

Shall the Diocese surrender its power to make canons about its own affairs? Shall the General Convention give up its voice in the confirmation of bishops? We have the right to ask of those who propose this change, that they shall tell us distinctly what these Provincial Councils are to do after they are organized?

4. Moreover, this change would be a calamity to the nation and to the Church. To the nation, because the General Convention has been a rallying point of unity; and to the Church, because the intimate communion we have had, as things now are, has wonderfully promoted brotherly kindness and abated sectional jealousy and theological narrowness and extravagance.

I freely grant that there is an evil to be remedied. The House of Deputies is altogether too large a body to deliberate profitably, and to be readily accommodated. But I respectfully suggest that the National Congress has had need to meet the same difficulty, and the obvious remedy in the Church, as in the State,

is not to delegate chief authority to intervening legislatures, but to diminish the number of representatives.

The smaller Dioceses are amply protected from oppression by equality of representation in the House of Bishops, and by the right to demand, in the house of Deputies, a vote by Dioceses.

But I ask what principle of justice or expediency is there, in giving to a Diocese like ours a representation in the Convention numerically equal to those large Dioceses, so far beyond us in numbers and in contribution to the common work? One Clergyman and one Layman are enough to protect our interests in the General Convention. The Diocese might feel itself able to pay all the expenses of two delegates, and so relieve the Churchmen in whose city the Convention meets of an unreasonable tax, whereas it is impossible to pay the expenses of eight persons.

I suggest that each Diocese should be entitled to send a Clerical and a Lay Delegate; that each Diocese numbering fifty Presbyters having the cure of souls, should send two Clerical and two Lay Delegates; that each Diocese numbering a hundred such Presbyters should send three of each order; and each Diocese numbering two hundred or more such Presbyters, should send four of each order.

I am the more bold to offer these thoughts because those of us who resist the Provincial scheme may well be required to suggest some remedy for the increasing difficulties of the present Constitution of the General Convention; and yet again: a proposition to readjust the basis of representation may best originate with those Dioceses which have something to surrender. I respectfully submit that the whole subject-matter is one which deserves the consideration of this Diocesan Convention.

Among the subjects of substantial, howbeit not of exciting interest, which came before the General Convention, is that of Christian Education. The report of the Joint Committee contemplates and invites the co-operation of the Diocesan Conventions. While that report is subscribed by myself as Chairman of the Joint Committee, it is drafted by men who have studied the subject of education very thoroughly.

It involves many questions of interest: not only all that appertains to church-schools and colleges, but the very large question, What attitude we should assume towards the common-

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school system of the country? I should be glad to have this matter considered by us all. The whole subject-matter of Sunday School organization and instruction is also included in Christian education.

It seems to me that their report, and the resolutions adopted upon its recommendation, deserve to be referred to a committee of your body.

I have only, in conclusion, to express the hope that your deliberations may be so guided as to forward the work of God entrusted to us.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barton, it was

~~Resolved~~ That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to the subject of Christian education, be referred to a Committee of three Clergymen and two Laymen.

The President announced as said Committee, the Rev. Dr. ~~Barton~~, the Rev. Messrs. Mitchell and Dashiell, and Messrs. ~~Rev.~~ R. Goldsborough and Mackall.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barber, it was

~~Resolved~~ That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to the ~~subject~~ Charter of the Convention, also that portion referring to ~~the~~ funds devised in trust to the Diocese, and the portion referring to ~~the~~ Councils and representation in the General Convention, ~~be referred to the~~ Committee on Canons.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, it was

~~Resolved~~ That the Committee on Canons be requested to consider ~~the~~ the Treasurer of the Diocese being allowed to ~~be~~ ~~asked~~ to any question relating to the finances of the ~~Diocese~~ ~~and~~ approved, to submit a suitable resolution for the ~~consideration of the~~ Convention.

~~Resolved~~ That the ~~Rev. Dr. Barber~~, from the Committee on Canons, submit ~~a~~ ~~resolving~~ resolution:

~~Resolved~~ That Article 11 of the Constitution be amended by adding ~~the~~ ~~words~~ "But in the event of epidemic disease, ~~the~~ ~~the~~ the Bishop, or in a vacancy of the Epis- ~~copal~~ ~~the~~ Standing Committee, shall have power to ~~act~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~meeting~~."

Whereupon the said amendment to the Constitution, having been heretofore approved by the Convention, and transmitted to the several Parishes, was finally adopted by a majority of both Orders of the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barton, it was

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to deceased Clergymen, be referred to a Special Committee.

The Chair appointed as said Committee, the Rev. Messrs. Martin, Wattson and Walke, and Messrs. Adkins and George R. Goldsborough.

The Rev. Mr. Mitchell presented Minutes of the Proceedings of the Standing Committee on the death of the Rev. Dr. Crosdale. On motion of Rev. Mr. Dashiell, said Minutes were referred to the same Committee.

Mr. Adkins submitted the report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Episcopal Fund.

Mr. Adkins presented the report of Mr. Thos. Hughlett, Treasurer of the Convention, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Adkins presented the report of the Trustees of the Clergy Relief Fund, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Mackall offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Constitution be amended so that the Standing Committee shall consist of three Clergymen and two Laymen.

And, on his motion, the resolution was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The following Lay Delegates appeared and took their seats in the Convention: Messrs. Bateman, Davidson, Earle, M. W. Goldsborough, McMaster, Seth and Thompson.

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In conclusion, the Board desire most emphatically to repeat their **s**uggestion, that upon the active, persistent, personal interest of the **C**lergy, depends the success of our admirable system of quarterly payments through the envelopes. We note that in every Parish where the **R**ector is thoroughly in earnest, regular and prompt returns reach the **T**reasurer; but if the Rector is inattentive or dilatory, the people are sure **t**o follow his example.

And, further, your Board of Missions, conscientiously aiming to discharge their high trust with fidelity, invite the full scrutiny of the Convention **a**nd frank conference with the members. For we regard the entire confidence of the Diocese as essential to the vigorous prosecution of this, **b**y far the most important work under the direction of this body.

The Board submit the following resolutions:

Resolved, that the hearty devotion and vigorous co-operation of every Rector and Lay member in the Diocese is due to the plans for enlarged mission effort now proposed to the Convention.

Resolved, further, That an increased number of subscribers, and, on the part of the more wealthy members, a far larger amount subscribed, are essential to the proper fulfilment of our obligations to this vital department of Diocesan work.

Resolved, further, That each Rector of a Parish is hereby solemnly and earnestly entreated to persist in his efforts until every individual member of his Parish is a contributor in quarterly payments, through the envelopes, to the Missions of our own Diocese.

On motion of Mr. Adkins, it was

Resolved, Whereas, this Convention is deeply impressed with the importance of making some adequate provision for the relief of the aged and infirm Clergy of the Diocese, and the support of the families of the deceased Clergymen; and the method of meeting this want by the creation of a Fund accumulated through annual parochial contributions, must of necessity be slow and insufficient.

Resolved, That the Lay Members of this Convention realize their obligation in this important matter, and the Chair is requested to appoint a Committee of three Clergymen and three Laymen, to devise some plan by which the parochial contributions may be supplemented and made more efficient.

Whereupon the Chair appointed as said Committee, the Rev. Messrs. Wilson, Miller, and the Rev. Dr. Barton, Messrs. Coudon, Adkins, and Gale.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

8 P. M.

Evening Prayer being said by the Rev. Messrs. Miller and Milnor, the sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. Morton, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and the Convention was then called to order by the Bishop.

The Committees not being ready to report, on motion, the Convention then adjourned.

SECOND DAY.THURSDAY, *June 6*, 1878, 9½ A. M.

Morning Prayer having been said by the Rev. Messrs. Cruikshank and Easter, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop. Members present as on yesterday.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Barber presented the following report as Registrar, and on his motion, the account and vouchers accompanying were referred to the Committee on Accounts.

The Registrar of the Diocese respectfully reports that since his last statement, the ten Journals of the Maryland Diocese, which could not be procured for our collection, have been carefully copied from the complete lists in possession of Hon. Wm. A. Stewart of Baltimore. The expense incurred was \$15, as authorized by the Convention. It will be most desirable that these manuscript copies should be printed at an early date.

The Bishop has presented a suitable blank-book in which our volumes and pamphlets may be classified and numbered.

Two valuable and rare volumes (Dr. Hawks' "Contributions to Ecclesiastical History," and a volume of early "Journals of the General Convention,") may now be purchased for \$3 each, if the Convention will so direct.

I present final statement of the purchase of manuscript History of the Parishes, with vouchers, and also receipts from the copyist of the ten Journals, under the kind supervision of Mr. Stewart.

Respectfully submitted,

THEO. P. BARBER,
Registrar of the Diocese.

Mr. Gale presented an invitation from the Vestry of Somerset Parish, to hold its next annual session in Princess Anne.

The order of the day being the consideration of the report of the Board of Diocesan Missions, was then called, and the resolutions appended to that report were adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Stearns, from the Committee on Canons, submitted the following report :

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the consideration of the expediency of allowing the Treasurer to make statements to the Convention in explanation of his annual report, propose the following resolution as a standing order, to wit: That the Treasurers of the several Diocesan funds, as officers of the Diocese, be permitted to make statements to the Convention in explanation of any matters contained in their annual reports.

Which resolution was adopted.

The Rev. Mr. Wattson, from the Committee to which was referred the portion of the Bishop's Address relating to deceased Clergymen, submitted the following report :

For the first time in many long years, the Diocese of Easton, during the last Conventional year, has been called to mourn for Clergymen removed by death. From the short roll of its Priests, the hand of the inexorable destroyer has stricken, never to be restored, three long familiar and highly honored names—Hoskins, Fulton, Crosdale. At this annual gathering of the Clergy and representative Laymen of the Diocese, the memory of the dead Priests has been fittingly and reverently honored. At a memorial service, one in every way competent for the task told the story of their lives and deaths, and laid a fair chaplet on each of their tombs. The Bishop in his annual address told, as he alone could tell it, of his own and the Diocese's bereavement. It only remains that the Convention place upon record its tribute to the memory of the departed, which your Committee respectfully recommend to be done, by the passage, by a rising vote, of the following resolutions :

Resolved, That this Convention mourns with deep and sincere sorrow its loss by death, during the past year, of three faithful, earnest and well beloved Priests of the Diocese, Hoskins, Fulton, and Crosdale.

Resolved, That we desire to honor the memory of the revered dead, and to adopt as our own views of their character and labors, the warm and loving tribute paid them by the Bishop of the Diocese in his annual address.

JNO. MARTIN,
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The Committee also report back, for publication in the Journal, the action of the Standing Committee as referred to them.

At a meeting of the Standing Committee held in Cambridge, April 8, 1878, the following minute was recorded; and it was ordered that the Secretary present a copy to the Convention of the Diocese.

MINUTE.

At the first meeting subsequent to the death of their honored and loved President, the Standing Committee of the Diocese place upon the records their tribute to his memory.

I. We bow in humble submission to the Heavenly Father's will, in removing to the rest of Paradise the soul of our late President, the Rev. John Crosdale, D. D.

II. We recognize the great loss which the Church of God, and especially the Church in our own Diocese, has sustained in this sad bereavement.

III. We thank God for the bright example, in his purity and devotion of character, in his single-minded zeal in the Master's work, in his abundant labors as Missionary of the Cross; and we pray for grace to imitate that example.

IV. We recall gratefully the fact that for 35 years our Brother toiled amidst great discouragement in the Counties of Somerset and Worcester, reviving the decayed Parishes, repairing the abandoned churches, or building new ones; ever faithfully representing the spirit and teachings of our Apostolic Church.

V. We recall also that the proposition to organize the Diocese of Easton originated in the wise forethought of our Brother; and that, as senior Presbyter and active member of our several Diocesan Boards, the late Rev. Dr. Crosdale rendered invaluable service, by his judicious counsels and well-directed zeal.

It is further ordered that the Secretary present at the approaching Convention of the Diocese, a copy of this expression of the Committee in memory of their deceased President.

Whereupon, the resolutions proposed by the Committee were unanimously adopted.

The Rev. Mr. Martin, from the same Committee, also laid before the Convention the following document, which was ordered to be printed in the Journal:

At a meeting of the Southern Convocation, held in St Mary's Church, Newtown, on the 9th of May, 1878, the Rt. Rev. Bishop Lay in the chair, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, This Convocation has now united with the Parishioners of the late Rev. John Crosdale, D. D., in a memorial service commemorating the bright example and effective ministry of our brother departed.

Resolved, That a Committee of six members each, in Pocomoke and Coventry Parishes, be appointed by the Chair to receive subscriptions for the erection of a suitable monument over his grave.

Resolved, That all monies raised for this purpose shall be known as the "Crosdale Memorial Fund," and Mr. S. S. McMaster, of Newtown, be, and is hereby elected "Treasurer" of the said fund, to whom Committees (and others desiring to contribute) are requested to remit.

The Rt. Rev. the President called the Rev. Dr. Barber to the Chair.

The Rev. Mr. Dashiell, from the Committee on the Episcopal Fund, submitted the following report. The resolutions appended were, on motion, adopted.

The Committee on the Episcopal Fund beg leave to report, that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, and find the aggregates correct. They think that they may congratulate the Convention of the Diocese of Easton on the success which has attended their efforts in collecting and investing a permanent fund for the support of the Episcopate. In ten years they have collected and invested almost as large a fund as was collected in the whole State of Maryland in thirty years, and it only needs a little more care and earnest perseverance to finish the work in such a way as to make the support of the Bishop no longer a matter of anxiety. They find that in the coming Convention year, on account of delinquent subscribers and a few unproductive investments, that there will be a deficit amounting to about five hundred dollars; to supply this deficiency for the coming year, and if possible to prevent its occurrence hereafter, they would offer the following resolutions:

1st. *Resolved*, That the Parishes in the Diocese of Easton be, and they are hereby assessed to the amount of five hundred dollars, for the Convention year ending in June, 1879, to make up whatever deficit there may be from the income of the Episcopal Fund to pay the salary of the Bishop.

2d. *Resolved*, That the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund make out the bills of this assessment on the different Parishes, in the same ratio as that of the assessment for the Convention Fund, and that he transmit the same to the Rectors of the Parishes before the first day of January, 1879, with the urgent request that the same be paid before the thirtieth day of that month.

3d. *Resolved*, That the Rev. Enoch Miller and Wm. R. Martin, Esq., be, and they are hereby appointed by the Convention of the Diocese of Easton, to visit the several Parishes, and urge the payment of the balance of the old subscriptions, and also solicit new subscribers in the same, and that the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund pay their expenses, and allow them at the rate of 5 per cent. for all old subscriptions collected, and at the same rate for all new subscribers obtained. All of which is most respectfully submitted.

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Mr. Bateman, from the Committee on Canons, submitted the following report, and the resolutions submitted were thereupon adopted :

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the Act of the Legislature amending the original act of incorporation of the Convention of the Diocese, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at January session, 1878, Chapter 147, entitled, "An Act to explain certain corporate powers and privileges heretofore conferred, and also to confer additional powers and privileges upon the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton, by authorizing it to receive by gift, devise or otherwise, contributions in money, land, or other property, and to hold the same for the purposes therein mentioned"; be, and the same is hereby accepted by this Convention, and the Secretary of the Convention is hereby directed to transmit a duly authenticated copy of this resolution, under the seal of the Convention, to the Secretary of State of the State of Maryland.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the additional duties devolving upon the Treasurer under the amended Charter of the Convention, beg leave to report as follows :

Resolved, That the following be adopted as

CANON XXV.

Of Managers of the Trust Fund of the Diocese.

Section 1. There shall be elected annually by the Convention, one Presbyter and two Laymen, to constitute, with the Bishop as Chairman *ex-officio*, and the Treasurer of the Convention, the Board of Managers of the Trust Fund of the Diocese.

Section 2. The Managers shall have full charge and control of all contributions in money, lands, or other property made to the Convention by gift, grant, bequest, devise or otherwise, in trust, for any uses or purposes designated by the donor thereof, and not in these Canons otherwise provided for, and they shall have full power and authority to superintend the execution of any such trust or trusts reposed in the Convention.

Section 3. Any investments made by the Managers under the preceding section shall be made in first liens upon real property, or in other first-class securities other than personal securities.

Section 4. It shall be the duty of the Managers annually to make a detailed report to the Convention of the condition of any such trust or trusts, showing the amount and character of the property on hand, and the disposition thereof made, whether by investment or otherwise.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, it was

Resolved, That the Chair appoint a Commission of three Laymen, learned in the law, to examine into the corporate powers of this Con-

vention touching gifts and bequests to the Diocese, and to report to the next Convention.

The Chair appointed Messrs. J. F. Bateman, D. M. Henry, J. A. Pearce.

The Rev. Mr. Wilson submitted the report of the Trustees of the Home for Friendless Children on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. (See Appendix).

On motion, the Convention adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

4 P. M.

The Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

The Rev. Dr. Barber, from the Committee on Canons, submitted the following report, and on his motion the resolutions appended were adopted.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the proposed Amendment to Article XI. of the Constitution, respectfully report that, in the judgment of the Committee, it is a matter of regret that a proposition so radically affecting the organic law of the Diocese, should now be introduced. Only a few years have elapsed since our Constitution was finally adopted, after careful study on the part of a qualified Committee, and full, protracted discussion before the Convention at two sessions. Moreover, this very Article XI. with others, has been already under scrutiny and debate more than once since its acceptance by this body. The Committee ask, does not the Constitution, in its present form, provide wisely and efficiently in the particular to which the proposed amendment refers? Has any evil arisen so far, under its working? The Committee cannot think it desirable that our system of administration should be subjected to so frequent change.

Again : only last year the Convention directed this Committee to prepare for publication a corrected copy of the Amended Constitution and Canons. This action seemed to rest upon the presumption that, at least for a little space, the present code would remain undisturbed. The Committee venture to express the hope that the Convention will allow a little breathing time in this work of amending the Constitution and Canons.

The Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution :
Resolved, That it is inexpedient to adopt the proposed Amendment to Art. XI. of the Constitution.

The Rev. Dr. Barber, from the same Committee, submitted the following report :

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred so much of the **Bishop's Address** as relates to Provincial Councils and representation in the General Convention, respectfully report that they have considered the subject as carefully as the limited time at their disposal permitted. But, in view of the grave importance of the questions involved in the discussion, and the further fact that two years must elapse before the General Convention can take any action thereupon, the Committee ask leave to report at the next Convention.

On motion, leave was granted accordingly.

Mr. George, from Committee on Accounts, submitted the following report :

We, the undersigned Committee on Accounts, have examined the reports submitted to us. We find the amount received by the Treasurer of the Convention for the past year, to be seven hundred and twenty-seven dollars and ninety-nine cents (\$727.99), and the amounts disbursed as per accompanying vouchers to be seven hundred and twenty-three dollars and ninety-four cents (\$723.94), leaving a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of four dollars and five cents (\$4.05).

We find by the report of the Treasurer of the Clergy Relief Fund, that the amount received during the past year to be from contributions, \$74.30; error in contribution from Shrewsbury Parish last year of \$5.00; interest, \$22.29; cash on hand at last report \$366 57; cash in hand, June 1st, 1878, \$468.16.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH E. GEORGE,
L. M. BEAN,
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We have examined the report of the Registrar of the Diocese, in reference to the receipts and disbursements on account of purchase of Dr. Allen's Manuscript History of the Parishes, and the copying of the ten Journals of the Maryland Diocese, and find them all correct.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH E. GEORGE,
L. M. BEAN,
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On motion, the following gentlemen were excused from further attendance on the sessions of the Convention : The Rev. Mr. Hepbron, Messrs. Coudon, Wooters, Adkins, Bateman, Craft, and George R. Goldsborough.

Rev. Mr. Wilson, from the Committee on the State of the Church, submitted their report as follows :

The Committee on the State of the Church beg leave to report that they have received Parochial Reports from 28 Parishes, and Vestry Reports from 21. They are gratified to observe a marked improvement in the attention paid to this important matter. Owing to the fact that the published tabulated statements are supplemented from sources not accessible to the Committee, it is impossible to make an accurate comparison of figures from year to year. The Parochial Reports indicate continued and diligent labor on the part of the Clergy, crowned with satisfactory results. The Committee regard the matters included in the Vestry Reports as of the very gravest importance. They find here a very gratifying degree of progress, but still wide room for improvement. Thus, in regard to the support of the Clergy, there are but 5 Parishes reported as in arrears to their Rectors; but, on the other hand, the salaries given are wretchedly poor, and in the aggregate far below the undoubted ability of the Laity of the Diocese. There are but two exceeding \$1000, and the large majority are below \$700. In several cases, \$300 and less are reported. The laborer is worthy of his hire, and the efficiency of the Clergy will be vastly strengthened when the Laity exert themselves, at whatever sacrifice, to ensure their Rectors against the cares and obstructions of poverty.

The Committee would urge attention to the necessity of insuring Church property. Only 20 church edifices are covered by insurance, mostly for inadequate sums. In only one case is there insurance on furniture. Surely the provision against loss which is made by all business men in behalf of their private possessions, ought not to be neglected where irreparable loss may at any moment fall on the already feeble church. There are 14 Rectories reported, only one of which is uninsured, and most of them in good repair.

There seems to be great trouble in some Parishes in the matter of facilities for the accomplishment of country work. The Committee would urge upon all the Parishes the importance of some provision being made by which the Rector may have free access to all within his cure, at whatever distance from the parish church they may reside.

The Committee note with great satisfaction the fact, that in 10 Parishes the Holy Communion is celebrated with greater frequency than once a month. They earnestly trust that each annual report will mark further progress in this appreciative use of the highest means of grace.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ROBERT WILSON,
JNO. MARTIN,
LEWIS WALKE,
W. R. DAVIDSON.

The Rev. Dr. Barton, from Special Committee on Christian Education, submitted the following report, and the resolution was thereupon adopted :

The Committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the subject of *Christian Education*, would respectfully present the following report :

The Committee is fully aware of the far-reaching importance of the subject-matter entrusted to them, and the impossibility of giving it any adequate consideration during the brief session of our Convention. For several years a joint committee of the two houses of the General Convention has had this same subject under consideration, and has made several learned and interesting reports. In the able paper presented by that Committee at the last session in the city of Boston, the following expressive language is used: "In the opinion of your committee, the subject intrusted to them is the most important that can come before the Convention, or engage the attention of the members of the Church. It has to do directly with the largest part of the Church's work—the training of her children for this life and the next; the reaching and influencing of the multitudes yet without her pale; the forming and directing the educated thought of this people." They ask that the various Dioceses should appoint Standing Committees on the same subject, to carry into effect the suggestions made from time to time, and to aid in calling out the thoughtful consideration and active interest of Churchmen throughout the land. We would therefore suggest to the Convention that the Committee on "Christian Education" be continued and made one of the Standing Committees of this body, to report from time to time any suggestions that may be of importance in forwarding this part of the great work of the Church.

There is, however, one part of it, viz: *that of Sunday Schools*, upon which the Committee would venture to offer a few suggestions that may be of practical interest. Sunday Schools are not mentioned in the Prayer Book, and are no part of the organized working machinery of the Church. But we all recognize their very great importance. They may be made by every Rector the most efficient and practical way of carrying out the instructions of the Church, that her children be taught "the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Ten Commandments, and all other things which a Christian ought to know and believe to his soul's health." He makes it a part of the spiritual instruction of his charge; and, of course, it is entirely under his control and direction. But he needs the *hearty and active help of his people*. And it well becomes us to consider whether we are making full use of our opportunities in this part of Church work. Where there is but one congregation in the Parish, the Rector needs an efficient Superintendent and faithful teachers to carry out his directions into little things, which he has not time to reach.

But in our rural Parishes, with two or three congregations and Sunday Schools to be ministered to on the Sunday, the help of the lay people is absolutely necessary, that the children of the Parish be carefully instructed. And just here it is that the Rector fails to receive that assistance and co-operation he so much desires. How seldom do we find the physician, the lawyer, the merchant, the woman of mature years and experience, using their talents by teaching in the Sunday School! Too often is this part of Parish work left to the young and inexperienced. How much greater would the fruits be, if age and learning were mingled with youth and willingness! Many of our old churches stand closed, except for such services as the Bishop of the Diocese may hold therein. Why will not the few Church people still living in the vicinity, collect the children together

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are something. It is made part of the

regular order, that the *Rector* thus "*catechise*" the children every *Sunday*, and he is *practically*, as well as theoretically, *the chief teacher*. He is brought into personal contact with every child, and is enabled to fill out and complete anything that may be deficient in the instruction of the teacher. Samples of these Leaflets can, doubtless, be had on application as aforementioned.

III. Closing Services. The scholars having been brought forward to be catechised, they are, therefore, already in the front seats for the closing services. These consist simply of a hymn and one brief prayer. "*The Hymnal*" is recommended for use in Sunday School, instead of the unauthorized Sunday School Hymnals put forth by various persons. The Church has carefully guarded the use of the Hymnal she has prepared for the "great congregation" in the worship of the Sanctuary, and has refused to put forth a separate one for Sunday Schools. And we believe she is right. It is altogether a mistake to suppose that "the Hymnal" is not suited for the use of children, and that they do not love and appreciate the grand old hymns of the ages. "*Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty*," never sounds more grandly than when it swells out from the sweet voices of innocent children. Their quick, intuitive taste and devotional spirit love those noble hymns of the olden times, and they much prefer them to those of bad taste and false theology, so popular in our "American Religion." The Hymnal is the greatest step forward in the right direction that the Church has taken in many years. It helps to drive away from us a style of music which came from those who were entire strangers to the rich treasures of the Church's services. The most of the music connected with the Hymnal is of the CHURCH HERSELF, and is the production of her many noble sons. It is a golden treasure, which will not depreciate by constant use. Those grand old hymns are just the ones which our children will learn to love more and more, and they will cling to their affections until their latest breath. Aside from the question of *expense*, the providing of *two* Hymnals for Parish use—one for public worship, and one for Sunday School—we think *unnecessary*, unless the learned philosopher was right in supposing a large and a small hole were necessary for the use of cat and kitten.

Hoping that these few imperfect suggestions in regard to Sunday Schools may be helpful to some faithful souls who are striving "to do good in their day and generation," the Committee would offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That in view of the importance of the subject, and the impossibility of giving it any adequate consideration now, the Committee on Christian Education be continued, and made one of the Standing Committees of this Convention, with the Bishop of the Diocese as Chairman, to take into consideration this whole subject, in conjunction with the Joint Committee of the General Convention, to collect information, and to make such suggestions from time to time as may be of interest to the spiritual education of our people.

JOHN O. BARTON,
E. F. DASHIELL,
JAMES A. MITCHELL,
GEO. R. GOLDSBOROUGH,
R. C. MACKALL.

Committee, submitted the

... to the Clergy Relief
 ... not been time for them to
 ... its importance demands.
 ... have to report at the next
 ... following resolution :
 ... convention, every Parish ought
 ... insured in the Clergyman's
 ... necessary, the Communion
 ... to this object, and in all
 ... the laity in that organization

R. WILSON,
 JNO. O. BARTON,
 ENOCH K. MILLER,
 H. S. COUDON,
 I. L. ADKINS,
 WM. H. GALE.

... adopted.

Committee on Parochial Assess-
 ... and the resolutions fixing
 ... were adopted. The arrears
 ... Kent and Spring Hill Parishes

Contributions and Assessments

... for the year 1878 :

.....	\$ 17 00
.....	5 00
.....	20 00
.....	40 00
.....	47 19
.....	15 00
.....	30 00
.....	9 50
.....	60 00
.....	10 00
.....	20 00
.....	25 00
.....	12 50
.....	6 50
.....	40 00
.....	40 00
.....	24 00

St. Michael's.....	53 50
St. Peter's.....	66 00
Spring Hill	50 00
Worcester	20 00

Total amount received..... \$611 19

In order to meet the expenses of the year 1878-79, we propose the assessment in the resolutions following :

Resolved, That the assessment for Parochial Contributions for year 1878-9 be as follows :

CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. John's.....	\$ 5 00
St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	5 00

CECIL COUNTY.

St. Mary Anne's.....	15 00
North Sassafras.....	50 00
Trinity, Elkton.....	20 00
St. James, Port Deposit.....	12 50

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

Dorchester Parish.....	8 00
East New Market.....	8 00
Great Choptank	30 00
Vienna.....	5 00

KENT COUNTY.

Chester.....	40 00
I. U.....	10 00
North Kent.....	20 00
St. Paul's.....	20 00
Shrewsbury.....	20 00

QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT.

Wye Parish.	10 00
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QUEEN ANNE'S.

Christ Church, Kent Island.....	15 00
St. Luke's.....	5 00
St. Paul's.	40 00

SOMERSET.

Coventry.....	10 00
Somerset.....	40 00

SOMERSET AND WORCESTER.

Pocomoke.....	18 00
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TALBOT.

St. Michael's.....	40 00
St. Peter's.....	50 00
White Marsh....	25 00
Trinity Cathedral.....	10 00

WICOMICO.

Spring Hill..... 30 00

WORCESTER.

All Hallows..... 18 00

Worcester 15 00

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Convention be instructed to notify each Parish of the amount of its assessment, at least one month before the meeting of the Convention.

JAMES A. MITCHELL,
W. S. WALKER,
WM. H. GALE,
R. C. MACKALL,
G. R. GOLDSBOROUGH.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Milnor, it was

Resolved, That the next Annual Convention of this Diocese be held in All Hallows Church, Snow Hill.

On motion of Mr. Walker, it was

Resolved, That the Treasurer pay the Secretary of this Convention annually the sum of twenty-five dollars for the expense of transcribing and distributing the Journal.

Also, Resolved, That the sum of ten dollars be paid the Sexton of Trinity Church, Elkton, for his services during the session of this Convention.

Also, Resolved, That five hundred and fifty copies of the Journal be printed.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, it was

Resolved, That the hearty acknowledgments of this Convention are due to Rector and Vestry of Trinity Parish for their kind reception of the members, and the admirable arrangements for their convenience.

Resolved, That the Convention gratefully recognize the warm hospitality of the members of the Parish and citizens of Elkton.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Stearns and the Rev. Mr. Martin. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Mr. Dashiell.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That after the reading of the Minutes, and after appropriate devotions, the Convention do adjourn *sine die*.

The Minutes were thereupon read and approved, and after prayer and benediction by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

HENRY C. LAY,
President ex-officio.

JAS. L. BRYAN,
Secretary.

WM. S. WALKER,
Assistant Secretary.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. John's Parish.

Geo. H. Beaven and Charles C. Smith, Wardens.

J. B. Bishop, Dr. P. S. Reynolds, Dr. G. W. Goldsborough, J. P. Manlove, F. T. Barton, M. J. Wooters, Wm. C. Satterfield, E. M. Bonwill, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 21; Confirmations 4; Marriages 2; Burials 14; Holy Communion 18; Communicants, added 3; died 2; present number 58.

Sunday School Teachers 4; Scholars 50; Families 26; Individuals 175; Sitzings 300; Parochial Expenditures \$255.35; Improvements \$16; Alms \$5; Home of the Friendless \$3.50; Diocesan Missions \$24.36; Domestic Missions 80 cts; for Cathedral \$5; Sunday School expenses \$8.00. Total \$281.35.

GEO. F. BEAVEN, *Rector.*

St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.

Geo. M. Russum and Jas. B. Steele, Wardens.

Philip W. Downes, Geo. M. Russum, Jas. B. Steele, Chas. Stevens, J. Wesley Bryant, John Gale Steele, Wm. S. Ridgely, Geo. Washington Richardson, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 2; Confirmations 2; Burial 1; Catechisings 16; Holy Communion 12; Communicants, added 2; removed 2; present number 13.

Sunday School Teachers 5; Scholars 39; Families 10; Individuals 80; Sitzings 100. Parochial Expenditures \$220.65; Convention \$6.50; Diocesan Missions \$29.16; Domestic Missions \$2.40; Foreign Missions \$2.32; Total \$261.03.

The ladies of the Parish have undertaken to clothe one of the inmates of the Home of the Friendless. Two of the ladies, also, living four miles from the Parish Church, have organized a Sunday School, and kept it in successful operation since last autumn.

Owing to prolonged absence from ill health, and to sickness while at home, I have had service on but thirty-five Sundays; hence the falling off in the number of administrations of the Holy Communion, and in the amount of offerings. Finding myself physically unable to do the work that needs to be done, I have resigned the Rectorship of the Parish, the resignation to take effect the first of July, at which time I shall have been in charge seven years. For the unvarying kindness of my flock toward me during all those years, I desire here to put on record my heartfelt thanks. May the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst them, and remain with them always.

EDWARD J. STEARNS, *Rector.*

CECIL COUNTY.

North Elk or St. Mary Anne Parish.

Samuel L. Chamberlaine and Samuel W. Day, Wardens.

Joseph Coudon, Henry S. Coudon, Geo. P. Whitaker, John Mauldin, Frank Jones, Samuel L. Chamberlaine, William Simcoe, Elisha Harris, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 2; Infants 37=39; Confirmations 10; Marriage 1; Burials 15; Holy Communions 40; Communicants, added 12; removed 1; died 1; present number 91.

Sunday School Teachers 5; Scholars 75; Parish School Teacher 1; Scholars 19; Families 60; Individuals 60; Sitzings 300. Parochial Expenditures \$878.00; Improvements \$150.00: Alms \$76.09; Convention \$20.00; Episcopal Fund \$133.96; Home of the Friendless \$33.96; Diocesan Missions \$79.68; Domestic Missions \$6.91; Foreign Missions \$2.70; Relief of Clergy \$10.30; Incidental Expenses \$103.95; Total \$1392.51.

ENOCH K. MILLER, *Rector.*

St. James's Church.

Henry L. Physick and W. W. Hopkins, Wardens.

H. L. Physick, W. W. Hopkins, J. W. Beaven, R. E. McClenahan, Thos. Armstrong, Adam Ruppel, R. C. Hopkins, H. L. Magraw, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 9; Confirmations 9; Burials 7; Catechisings weekly; Holy Communions 20; Communicants, added 9; removed 1; died 1; present number 60.

Sunday School Officers and Teachers 12; Scholars 65; Families 36; Individuals 180; Sitzings 200. Parochial Expenditures \$740.14; Alms \$18.50; Convention \$16.50; Home of the Friendless \$13.00; Diocesan Missions \$45.57; Domestic Missions \$8.47; Foreign Missions \$5.00; New York Bible and C. P. B'k Society \$3.56; Total \$857.74.

Offerings for the Clergy Relief Fund will be made on Whitsunday. From the Sunday School I report only the number of scholars who attend with some regularity, taking no account of those who come only occasionally. I have also dropped from the list of Communicants those who, to my knowledge, have not received the Holy Communion since my connection with the congregation.

GEO. W. EASTER, *Rector.*

North Sassafras Parish.

J. C. Crookshank and D. P. Davis, Wardens.

Wm. Knight, B. B. Price, J. W. Veasey, S. E. Wills, E. S. Jones, Geo. Riddle, D. P. Davis, Wm. Ward, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 2; Infants 20=22; Confirmations 2; Marriages 8; Burials 8; Holy Communion administered monthly; Communicants added 1; removed 4; died 4; present number 48.

Sunday School Teachers 10; Scholars 60; Families 25; Individuals 100; Sitzings 200. Parochial Expenditures \$3116.34; Improvements \$1040.25; Convention \$40.00; Episcopal Fund \$297.25; Home of the Friendless \$41.00; Diocesan Missions \$46.60; Relief of Clergy \$18.75.

LEWIS WALKE, *Rector.*

Trinity Parish.

W. W. Henderson and H. B. Wirt, Wardens.

W. W. Henderson, R. G. Reese, H. B. Wirt, R. C. Mackall, G. W. Crookshank, L. T. Roberts, A. Wetherell, Jno. Partridge, Vestrymen.

~~Baptisms~~ Adult 1; Infant 20=21; Confirmations 4; Marriages 7; Burials 8. Catechisings weekly; Holy Communions 61 (weekly); Communicants added 5; died 1; present number 90.

~~Sunday School~~ Teachers 6; Scholars 60; Families 60; Individuals 100; Sitzings 200. Parochial Expenditures \$1070.93; Improvements \$1040.25; Alms \$43.01; Convention \$5.84; Home of the Friendless \$41.00; Diocesan Missions \$68.15; Domestic Missions \$2.75;

Clergy Relief \$3.35; Sunday School objects, repairs on church, stoves, &c., \$57.98; Total \$1180.35.

I am glad to report that a more devout, and also more liberal spirit is growing in this Parish. For want of conveyance, however, I am unable to visit over the large area embraced within the Parish limits. For the same reason I am hindered from doing the work assigned me at S. Augustine's and Chesapeake City. If the little knot of Church folk at Chesapeake had given me any encouragement or co-operation, I might have done somewhat there.

HENRY A. SKINNER, *Rector.*

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

Dorchester Parish.

Captain John E. Graham and Dr. W. A. Smith, Wardens.

Saml. M. Travers, James Fooks, W. W. Mace, R. L. Spilman, T. K. Carroll, Jno. M. Willis, Jeremiah H. Edmondson, T. H. Keene of L., Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 3; Confirmations 3; Burials 2; Holy Communion 14; Communicants, added 2; died 1; present number 16.

Sunday School Teachers 7; Scholars 55; Families 20; Individuals 100; Sitzings 360. Parochial Expenditures \$180.00; Alms \$12.38; Episcopal Fund \$25.00; Home of the Friendless \$1.00; Diocesan Missions \$32.75; Foreign Missions \$1.00; Miscellaneous \$30.28; Total \$282.41.

The attendance at both churches is encouraging, as is also that at the weekly services at my residence. The Sunday School at Trinity Church has been prosperous. I feel a great interest in both schools, and always attend them when I can. The grounds about Trinity Church have been greatly improved in appearance, through the energy of Capt. J. Fooks.

WM. WALLACE GREENE, *Rector.*

Great Choptank Parish.

Wm. R. Hayward, M. D., and Daniel M. Henry, Wardens.

Dr. Alex. H. Bayly, Dr. Wm. R. Hayward, Dan. M. Henry, Dr. Thos. B. Steele, Chas. F. Goldsborough, Thos. H. Handy, Edw. W. Le Compte, M. W. Goldsborough, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 1; Infant 16=17; Confirmations 10; Marriages 7;

Catechising every Sunday ; Holy Communion administered monthly ; Communicants, added 6 ; removed 1 ; died 1 ; present number 67.

Sunday School Teachers 3 ; Scholars 40 ; Families 55 ; Individuals 300 ; Sittings 300. Parochial Expenditures \$701.00 ; Home of the Friendless \$8.75 ; Diocesan Missions \$11.25 ; to be used at discretion of Bishop \$10.00 ; Total \$730.95.

There are two points in the Parish where mission services are held, Eastern Neck Island and Rock Hall. On the Island I have service every alternate Wednesday evening. There is a regular congregation of about 30 persons, which has never failed to meet me in the four years I have ministered to them. This embraces nearly all the people on the Island. There is also here a good Sunday School. At Rock Hall there is a promising work among the oystermen, if I could devote more time to it, but I am only able to give them occasional services.

S. S. HEPBRON, *Rector.*

Shrewsbury Parish.

Jno. C. Sutton and L. C. Graves, Wardens.

Dr. T. C. Kennard, Jas. W. Hurtt, N. W. Comegys, J. M. Armstrong, Wm. Jacobi, Henry Parr, Dennis J. Nowland, Jno. Ireland, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 8 ; Confirmations 7 ; Marriages 2 ; Burials 3 ; Catechisings semi-monthly ; Holy Communions 32 ; Communicants, added 22 ; removed 1 ; present number 76.

Sunday School Teachers 5 ; Scholars 30 ; Families 65 ; Individuals 250 ; Sittings 300. Parochial Expenditures \$1160.00 ; Improvements \$60.00 ; Alms \$46.00 ; Convention \$25.00 ; Home of the Friendless \$25.00 ; Diocesan Missions \$75.00 ; Domestic Missions \$8.00 ; Clergy Relief \$15.00.

The new church in Galena is entirely finished, and was consecrated April 6th by the Bishop of the Diocese. It is free from debt, and furnished in neat and handsome style. A rich chancel window, a full set of Communion vessels, and new surplice, were among the gifts received from kind friends of the Parish. A beginning has been made towards enlarging and improving the Parish church, which will probably be completed before the end of summer. The church property has all been insured during the past year, and a new fence put to the Rectory yard, besides several useful contributions for the convenience and comfort of the minister. Services at the churches and in other parts of the Parish are well attended, and we are thankful for much encouragement in the work of the Lord among us.

JNO. MARTIN, *Rector.*

I. U. Parish.

Albert Perkins and Wm. Beachum, Wardens.

Dr. F. Worrell, Dr. Sam. Beck, E. T. Wroth, Joseph Hossenger, Sewell Hepbron, E. B. Pennington, S. J. Roseberry, Wm. Thompson, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 4; Holy Communions 6; Communicants, added 2; present number 35.

Families 18; Sitzings 250. Salaries, &c., \$274.25; Convention \$10.00; Diocesan Missions \$6.25; Domestic Missions \$2.00; Miscellaneous \$6.00; Total \$274.25.

By removals and deaths this Parish has been greatly reduced; but it is hoped that a better day will soon dawn upon it. There are many and great difficulties against which the people have to contend. Being unable to support a Rector of their own, they are dependent upon St. Paul's to help them, and their connection with this Parish cuts them off entirely from morning service. But with all the difficulties against which the Parish has had to contend, and with its apparent insignificance, it has sent forth three sons into the ministry, all of whom I trust are earnest workers in God's vineyard. Each of them has treasured up many fond recollections of the dear old Parish. We trust by holding on and doing our little cheerfully, to keep life in the Parish. One of these days we may meet with a more favorable current, when we shall be able to stand in the Diocese second to none for earnestness and zeal and good works.

S. S. HEPBRON, *Rector.*

North Kent Parish.

Baptisms, Adult 1; Infant 3=4; Confirmed 6; Communicants, last reported 38; added 6=44; Marriage 1; Funerals 2.

Sunday School Teachers 6; Scholars 50. Money receipts \$1169.00; all spent in the Parish except \$20.00 for Convention Fund, and \$11.00 for Diocesan Missions.

J. N. WATTSON, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Parish.

Stevenson Constable and A. G. Mathiot, Wardens.

C. G. Ricaud, T. A. Hulme, Geo. Beck, Geo. T. Holliday, Wm. P. Francis, Josiah Ringgold, Jr., Jas. Rankin, Wm. I. Rasin, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 5; Confirmations 3; Marriages 4; Burials 4;

*Diocesan Convention of Easton.**St. Paul's Parish.'*

James T. Earle and Samuel T. Earle, Wardens.

Richard T. Earle, Wm. McKennery, Robert Goldsborough, Edwin H. Brown, Samuel T. Earle, M. D., C. Dorsey Wright, Richard Hollyday, John B. Brown, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 12 ; Confirmations 4 ; Marriage 1 ; Burials 10 ; Catechisings monthly ; Holy Communion administered 20 times ; Communicants, added 5 ; removed 6 ; died 1 ; present number 126.

Sunday School Teachers 6 ; Scholars 60 ; Parish School Teacher 1 ; Scholars 17 ; Families 60 ; Individuals 350 ; Sitzings 350. Parochial Expenditures \$1243.00 ; Improvements \$444.58 ; Alms \$64.53 ; Convention \$48.96 ; Home of the Friendless \$40.40 ; Diocesan Missions \$109.17 ; Foreign Missions \$1.25 ; Sunday School purposes \$25.00 ; Charities without Parish \$70.00 ; Total \$2046.89.

The interior of the Church has been renovated at a cost of \$844.58. As \$400.00 of this sum were received and accounted for in previous years, they are not included in the above report. The total amount expended during the year is therefore \$2446.89.

JAMES A. MITCHELL, *Rector.*

QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT COUNTIES.

Wye Parish.

W. R. Davidson and J. P. Davidson, Wardens.

R. B. Carmichael, Sr., C. H. Tilghman, W. R. Davidson, Geo. Davidson, N. Comegys, Benj. Anthony, R. B. Carmichael, Jr., E. T. Paca, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 2 ; Infant 27=29 ; Confirmations 6 ; Marriages 6 ; Burials 11 ; Catechisings 4 ; Holy Communions 28 ; Communicants, added 11 ; removed 3 ; died 1 ; present number 65.

Sunday School Teachers 2 ; Scholars 20 ; Families 35 ; Individuals 150 ; Sitzings 315. Parochial Expenditures \$1105.00 ; Improvements \$145.00 ; Alms \$112.23 ; Convention \$12.50 ; Episcopal Fund \$158.10 ; Home of the Friendless \$19.00 ; Diocesan Missions \$58.22 ; Domestic Missions \$6.18 ; Foreign Missions \$4.82 ; Clergy Relief \$5.00 ; Bible and Prayer Book Society \$2.00 ; Miscellaneous \$33.76 ; Total amount given in the Parish \$1105.00.

W. B. EVERETT, *Rector.*

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Somerset Parish.

John Woolford and Levin H. Curtis, Wardens, Henry H. Robertson and Thos. H. Fitzgerald, Jr., Assistant Wardens.

Levin Woolford, W. H. Gale, Robert J. Waller, H. H. Dashiell, **John** W. Dashiell, William Stewart, Isaac S. Atkinson and William **J.** Brittingham, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 25; Confirmations 3; Marriages 6; Burials 11; **C**atechisings every Sunday; Holy Communions 30; Communicants, **ad**ded 10; removed 3; died 5; present number 196.

Sunday School Teachers in three Schools 24; Scholars in three **S**chools 170; Families 100; Individuals 450; Sitings 500. **P**arochial Expenditures \$911.01; Improvements \$438.03; Convention \$44.25; Episcopal Fund \$73.60; Home of the Friendless (Clothing \$11.33) \$26.33; Diocesan Missions \$85.98; Domestic Missions \$37.50; Nashotah \$20.00; Lamps for All Saints Church \$50.00; **S**t. **A**ndrew's Sunday School \$62.25; All Saints Sunday School \$40.00; **two** objects outside of Parish \$40.00; Total \$1828.95.

JOHN O. BARTON, *Rector.*

Wicomico Parish.

Harrison Costen and Filmore Bounds, Acting Wardens.

William H. Groscup, Superintendent of Sunday School; William E. **J**ones, Assistant Superintendent of Sunday School.

There has not been an election of a Vestry for many years.

Baptisms, Infant 12; Marriages 2; Burial 1—(a colored woman;) **C**ommunicants in the Parish 15; Sunday School Teachers 8; Sunday **S**chool Scholars 70; Holy Communion administered 1; Services on **S**undays 14; on week days 18; Total 32.

Money actually paid for all purposes, viz: For repairs on church, **books**, &c., \$154.10; for Christmas festival, \$13.50; for an "Estey **C**hapel Organ," \$100.00; for carpet in chancel \$23.50; for Domestic **M**issions \$7.00; for Diocesan Missions \$1.95; Total amount paid out \$300.05.

A little more than a year ago my attention was specially called to the desolate condition of this long vacant Parish. The people were truly "as sheep without a shepherd." The church building, with bushes growing up all around it, was very rapidly falling into decay. I determined, by the help of God, to do all in my power to revive the Church

in this long neglected field. The first service was on Sunday afternoon of May 13, 1877. And I have officiated regularly on the afternoon of the second Sunday in each month, and also on each alternate Thursday night, with excellent attendance at each service, some of them crowded. The church building has been thoroughly repaired; a large and interesting Sunday School is faithfully taught every Sunday, and a great deal of interest has been called forth. Although "a venture of faith," and adding greatly to my labors, I am very much encouraged, and look forward to fruits not very far off. All the statistics in this report, *except the money contributions*, are included in that from Somerset Parish.

JNO. O. BARTON, *Officiating.*

Grace Church, Hungary Neck.

TALBOT COUNTY.

St. Michael's Parish.

George R. Goldsborough and Daniel M. Fedderman, Wardens.

William Goldsborough, George R. Goldsborough, Wm. Willis, Charles Lowndes, George E. Haddaway, George Tyler, John C. Adams, Thos. H. Oliver, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 10; Marriages 3; Burials 3; Catechisings 12; Holy Communion 40; Communicants, added 3; died 1; present number 132.

Sunday School Teachers 10; Scholars 70; Families 60; Individuals 400; Sitzings 550.

Parochial Expenditures \$950.00; Improvements \$64.55; Alms \$25.50; Convention \$53.00; Episcopal Fund \$448.20; Home of the Friendless \$97.00; Diocesan Missions \$87.00; Domestic Missions \$22.18; Foreign Missions \$29.00; New Church \$150.00; Clergy House \$50.00; Total \$1974.63.

We have gathered together in the last six years, about eight thousand dollars towards rebuilding the Parish Church. We hope to ~~begin~~ *begin* the work soon.

ERASTUS E. DASHIELL, *Rector.*

St. Peter's Parish.

Wm. H. Smith and Isaac L. Adkins, Wardens.

~~Wm. H. Smith and Isaac L. Adkins~~ I. L. Adkins, Wm. M. Hollyday, R. I. Trippe, Jno. F. Kersey, Wm. H. Smith, ~~Isaac L. Adkins~~

Baptisms, Infant 11; Confirmations 6; Marriages 4; Burials 7; Catechisings irregular; Holy Communions 24; Communicants added 17; removed 19; died 3; present number 228.

Sunday School Teachers 10; Scholars 100; Families 75; Individuals 400; Sitzings 450. Parochial Expenditures \$1790.75; Improvements \$520.00; Alms \$150.00; Convention \$66.00; Episcopal Fund \$350.95; Home of the Friendless \$149.86; Diocesan Missions \$226.00; Domestic Missions \$33.30; Foreign Missions \$29.38; Clergy Relief \$50.00; Chancel Chairs (private donation) \$220.00; Miscellaneous \$300.00; Total \$4085.24.

The Parish appears to be in a healthy and flourishing condition. Arrangements have been made by which the Rector is now enabled to visit freely among the country residents of his cure. The gift—a memorial offering—of a pair of handsome chairs for Bishop and Priest completes the chancel furniture of the Church. The Rectory has been put in complete repair, new-roofed and painted within and without. A Bishop's and a Priest's chair of the handsomest design and materials have been given and will soon be in place.

ROBERT WILSON, *Rector.*

White Marsh Parish.

Thos. J. Chaplain and John W. Martin, Wardens.

John W. Martin, Robert Bartlett, Wm. Kirby, John Warner, Alexander Barnett, Dr. Alexander Matthews, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 10; Marriages 4; Burials 5; Catechisings usually every Sunday; Holy Communion 25; Communicants, added 3; removed 3; died 3; present number 121.

Sunday School Teachers 10; Scholars 45; Families 35; Individuals 350; Sitzings 350. Parochial Expenditures \$570.00; Improvements \$120.00; Alms \$30.00; Home of the Friendless \$45.00; Diocesan Missions \$35.00; Total \$800.00.

GEO. S. FITZHUGH, *Rector.*

All Saints' Church.

Baptisms, Infant 5; Confirmations 4; Marriage 1; Burials 2; Catechisings, occasional; Holy Communion administered monthly; Communicants 36.

Sunday School Teachers 5; Scholars 25; Families 20; Individuals 100; Sitzings 200. Parochial Expenditures \$279.00; Improvements \$475.00; Alms \$1.50; Home of the Friendless \$43.82; Diocesan Missions \$41.29; Relief of Clergy \$10.00; Offerings specially designated \$150.00.

In charge of the Bishop.

Trinity Cathedral.

Baptisms, Infant 6; Confirmation 1; Marriage 1; Burials 3; Catechisings weekly; Holy Communions 20; Communicants, died 1; present number 33.

Sunday School Teachers 8; Scholas 125; Families 15; Individuals 70; Sittings 200. Parochial Expenditures \$404.30; Improvements \$100.00; Alms \$8.00; Convention \$12.50; Home of the Friendless \$8.90; Diocesan Missions \$66.30; Domestic Missions 15.60.

THE BISHOP, *Rector.*

J. V. STRYKER, }
W. Y. BEAVEN, } *Assist. Ministers.*

WICOMICO COUNTY.

Spring Hill Parish.

John F. Collier and George Hitch, Wardens; J. Aug. Parsons, Isaac S. Adams and Dr. W. H. H. Dashiell, Assistant Wardens.

John White, Milton A. Parsons, J. A. Parsons, Lafayette P. Humphries, William Waller, Geo. Waller, Geo. Hitch, Valerius Collier, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 4; Infant 31=35; Confirmations 6; Marriages 3; Burials 10; Holy Communions 16; Communicants, added 18; died 2; present number 204.

Sunday School Teachers 16; Scholars 95; Families 125; Individuals 560; Sittings 600. Parochial Expenditures \$1800.01; Parochial Improvements \$42 50; Alms \$174.35; Convention \$50.00; Episcopal Fund \$315 87; Diocesan Missions \$15 55; Other Objects \$223.81; Total \$2621.89.

I entered upon the Rectorship of Spring Hill Parish on the 1st of February; the few items of my work are included with that of the late Rector of the Parish. My report of his work is necessarily imperfect.

J. H. B. BROOKS, *Rector.*

WORCESTER COUNTY.

Pocomoke Parish.

C. C. Lloyd and Geo. T. Truitt, Wardens.

S. S. McMaster, C. C. Lloyd, Jas. Dougherity, Bennet Mason, L. P. Ewell, John E. Hayward, D. J. O. Truitt, Geo. T. Truitt, Vestrymen.

Parochial Reports.

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Baptisms, Infant 14; **Confirmation** 1; **Marriages** 3; **Burials** 8; **Holy Communion** 2; **Communicants**, added 2; died 6; present number 87.

Sunday School Teachers 10; **Scholars** 65; **Sittings** 400. Paid to **Home of the Friendless** \$12.35.

GEORGE T. TRUITT, *Register.*

All Hallows' Parish.

James D. Hack and J. J. Collins, Wardens.

James S. Jones, Geo. W. Bishop, Geo. M. Upshur, Frank Porter, **Thos.** Purnell, J. J. Collins, Saml. H. Townsend, John Robins, **Vestrymen.**

Baptisms, Infant 13; **Confirmations** 8; **Burials** 6; **Holy Communion** administered monthly; **Communicants**, added 7; present number about 70.

Sunday School Teachers 9; **Scholars** 53; **Sittings** 400. **Parochial Improvements and Purchases** \$300.00; **Communion Alms** \$14.00; **Foreign Missions** \$18.60; **Domestic Missions** \$3.40; **Indians** \$1.00; **Colored people of the South** \$1.00; **Nashotah** \$3.00; **Home of the Friendless** \$4.70 and a box of food and clothing; **Rector's salary** \$600.00; **The Collection during the last Convocation here** \$12.30.

We have a good Bible Class in All Hallows, taught by Dr. James Purnell, and an encouraging Sunday School. In Stockton and Lindseyville services have been held regularly and Sunday Schools organized. Once more I have to thank the Congregation and Vestry of All Hallows for granting me leave of absence for two or three months, and thus enabling me to go to Europe and recuperate my health.

C. H. WILLIAMSON, *Rector.*

Worcester Parish.

J. M. Marshall and John R. Purnell, Wardens.

William Showell, J. S. Purnell, John F. Jones, Edwin J. Dirickson, H. C. Hudson, **Vestrymen.**

Baptisms, Infant 11; **Marriages** 3; **Burials** 12; **Catechisings** 7; **Holy Communion** 23; **Communicants**, added 7; removed 4; died 5; present number 65.

Sunday School Teachers 4; **Scholars** 30; **Families** 36; **Individuals** 110; **Sittings** 350. **Parochial Expenditures** \$772.05; **Improvements** \$280.00; **Alms** \$1.00; **Convention** \$20.00; **Episcopal Fund** \$53.78; **Home of the Friendless** \$32.22; **Diocesan Missions** \$32.60; **Domes-**

tic Missions \$8.03; Foreign Missions \$12.58; Clergy Relief \$7.25; Other objects, viz: Clothing child at Home of the Friendless \$9.00; By Ladies' Association \$18.45; Miscellaneous \$23.96; Total \$1265.43.

The amount reported as paid to the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund is necessarily small, as the matter passed out of the hands of the Collector early in the year. The contemplated repairs at St. Martin's Church in this Parish have been effected, and the old Church stands good for many years to come.

C. E. MILNOR, *Rector.*

CLERICAL REPORT.

PERRYMANSVILLE, 1878.

The undersigned respectfully reports that continued ill-health has prevented him from the public exercise of parochial duties, during the past Conventional year.

E. G. PERRYMAN.

TABLE I.—Summary of Parochial Reports (Statistics of Persons).

IRISH OR CHURCH.	BAPTISMS.		Confirmations.	COMMUNICANTS.				Individuals.	Marriages.	Benevolence.	PARSONAGE.		SUND. SCHOOLS.	Students.
	Adult.	Infant.		Added.	Moved.	Died.	Present number.				Teach-ers.	Scholar-ers.		
St. John's	...	31	4	8	...	3	58	175	2	14	...	4	50	300
St. Mary's Whitechapel	...	2	2	2	2	...	12	80	...	1	...	5	30	100
St. Augustine	100
North Elk	...	27	10	10	1	...	91	300	1	16	...	5	75	300
St. James	...	9	2	9	1	1	60	180	...	7	...	12	65	300
N. Sassafras	...	20	2	1	4	4	46	100	8	9	...	10	60	200
Trinity	1	20	3	5	...	...	90	400	7	8	...	6	50	300
Dorchester	...	3	3	2	...	1	16	100	...	2	...	7	65	300
E N Market	4	...	...	...	40	100	...	...	...	...	...	100
Great Choptank	1	16	10	7	6	6	122	480	7	16	...	22	120	470
Vienna	...	6	2	3	30	...	16	10	2	5	...	5	12	100
Chester	...	4	9	2	...	...	36	90	...	...	...	13	50	341
I. U.	...	4	5	2	...	...	44	150	...	...	...	...	...	110
North Kent	...	8	5	6	1	...	67	300	1	4	...	6	40	260
St. Paul's Kent	1	5	3	6	...	1	76	250	2	4	...	5	30	300
Shrewsbury	...	8	7	24	1	...	76	300	...	...	...	...	...	...
Christ, Kent Island	...	7	...	1	2	...	30	80	...	...	...	...	...	...
St. Luke's, Q. A.	...	8	18	17	1	1	64	180	...	...	...	11	90	160
St. Paul's, Q. A.	...	12	4	6	6	1	126	350	1	10	...	8	60	300
Wye	2	27	6	11	8	1	63	150	6	11	...	2	20	315
Somerset	...	25	3	10	3	5	186	450	8	11	...	24	170	500
Covey	75	175	...	...	...	...	...	750
Wicomico	150
Pocomoke	...	14	1	2	...	6	87	200	...	...	...	10	65	400
St. Michael's	...	10	1	3	...	1	132	400	...	...	...	10	70	350
St. Peter's	...	11	5	17	14	3	228	400	4	7	...	16	100	450
Holy Trinity
Whitemarsh	...	10	...	3	3	3	131	350	4	5	...	10	45	578
All Saints	...	5	4	...	...	...	36	100	1	3	...	5	35	300
Trinity Cathedral	...	5	1	...	...	1	33	70	1	3	...	8	125	300
St. Matthew's	100
Spring Hill	4	31	6	18	...	3	304	600	5	10	...	16	90	600
Stephen	7	...	...	70	150	...	...	...	...	...	100
All Hallows	...	18	6	7	...	...	70	150	...	...	...	9	65	400
Worcester	...	11	...	7	4	6	65	110	3	12	...	4	30	350
Totals	18	334	126	183	61	46	9423	3880	64	170	2	209	1716	9851

• Supplemented from former reports.

Summary of Parochial Reports.

TABLE II.—Summary of Parochial Reports (Statistics of Contribution).

CHURCH OR PARISH.	Parish Expenses.	Parish Improvements.	Parish Charities.	Conven- tion.	Episcopal Fund.	Home for Friendless.	Diocesan Mission.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Clergy Relief.	Other purposes.
St. John's.....	225 25	816 00	26 00	96 50	.....	82 50	824 26	\$ 80	.....	.....	\$ 18 00
St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	226 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	29 16	2 40	\$2 32	.....	.....
Augustine.....	829 00	120 00	75 00	20 00	\$120 96	32 96	79 00	6 91	.....	.....	103 95
North Elm.....	740 14	.....	18 50	10 50	.....	15 00	48 57	8 47	2 70	\$10 80	8 55
St. James.....	516 34	1649 20	.....	40 00	267 25	41 00	48 00	.....	5 00	18 75	.....
R. Barnard.....	1070 98	119 80	24 01	3 84	.....	8 31	64 15	2 70	.....	8 20	87 90
Trinity.....	152 60	.....	12 58	.....	25 00	1 60	82 76	.....	1 00	.....	30 28
Dorchester.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
E. New Market.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Great Choptank.....	1100 00	50 00	170 00	20 00	.....	27 01	159 15	42 20	18 00	.....	70 00
Vienna.....	301 65	.....	121 34	9 60	.....	9 10	100 00	10 06	12 74	.....	.....
Chester.....	276 29	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	6 21	2 00	.....	.....	6 00
L. U.....	95 90	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	11 50	.....	.....	.....	10 00
North Kent.....	701 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 75	75 00	8 00	.....	15 00	.....
St. Paul's, Kent.....	1100 00	60 00	46 00	25 00	.....	25 00	8 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....
Shrewsbury.....	850 00	186 00	30 00	4 50	81 90	4 00	51 84	5 00	2 00	.....	500 00
Christ, Kent Island.....	450 00	.....	8 00	.....	.....	48 40	109 17	.....	1 25	.....	55 00
St. Luke's, Q. A.....	1245 80	444 35	64 00	15 50	158 10	20 00	55 22	6 10	4 94	6 00	85 75
St. Paul's, Q. A.....	1105 00	140 00	112 25	44 25	78 40	26 20	55 95	.....	.....	.....	200 00
Wye.....	911 01	400 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Southwell.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Coveney.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Woolmole.....	261 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 95	7 00	.....	.....	.....
Pocomoke.....	980 00	94 25	35 00	52 00	445 20	12 35	57 00	20 58	29 00	.....	500 00
St. Michael's.....	1700 25	250 00	150 00	60 00	200 00	160 90	200 00	25 30	20 26	50 00	500 00
St. Peter's.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Holy Trinity.....	570 00	120 00	20 00	.....	.....	45 00	20 00	.....	.....	10 00	100 00
Whitehorn.....	279 00	475 00	1 50	18 50	.....	43 52	41 20	.....	.....	.....	.....
All Saints.....	464 50	160 00	6 00	.....	.....	8 50	66 30	16 60	.....	.....	.....
Trinity Cathedral.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Matthew's.....	1900 81	43 50	124 25	50 00	815 51	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	200 51
Spring Hill.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stamney.....	600 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 70	.....	3 40	18 00	.....	17 90
All Hallow's.....	712 05	200 50	1 00	20 00	85 78	24 21	22 50	8 00	12 00	7 35	51 41
Warwick.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals.....	\$2267 96	\$499 30	\$1082 51	\$291 00	\$2314 25	\$4702 31	\$4164 50	\$223 40	\$120 30	\$119 65	\$2670 55

Expenditures for all purposes \$7,571.85. * These aggregates are taken from the Reports of the several Diocesan Treasurers, as being more accurate.

TABLE III.—Summary of Vestry Reports.

CHURCH OR PARISH.	ENDOWMENT.		Treasurer's Accounts.	Insurance on Churches.	RECTORY.		SALARY.		GLASS.
	Am't.	How Invested.			Number.	Amount of Insurance.	Promised.	Paid.	
St. John's	\$3000	1	none	nothing	.....	4 acres.
St. Mary's Whitechap.	1600	.....	.....	\$200 00	\$200 00	.....
Angustine
North Elk	audited.	3000	1	\$3500	700 00	700 00	8 acres.
St. James'	audited.	4000	.....	.....	450 00	450 00	.....
North Sasafra	audited.	6800	1	2800	1000 00	1000 00	A valuable farm.
Trinity	audited.	3000	1	2700	600 00	600 00	.....
Dorchester	3007	.....	.....	900 00	300 00	.....
East New Market.
Great Choptank	audited.	3800	1	1000	.....	750 00	.....
Vienna	no ins.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chester	In B. and O. R. R. Bond.	irregular.	no ins.	1	no insuran.	1000 00	in arrears	.....
I. U.
North Kent	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Paul's, Kent	1	.....	.....	.....	A farm of 60 acres.
Shrewsbury	audited.	1600	1	1800	700 00	700 00	.....
Christ, Kent Island	1	small am't	800 00	800 00	1000 acres, largely unprofitable.
St. Luke's, Q. A.	audited.	2500	1	600	400 00	400 00	.....
St. Paul's, Q. A.	1000	Held by Trustees	.....	2500	1	1300	1000 00	1000 00	.....
Wye	audited	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Somerset	5500	Baltimore City Stock.	.....	4500	1	1500	no pledge	735 00	A few acres around Rectory.
Coventry
Wicomico
Pocomoke	audited.	3800	.....	.....	500 00	500 00	.....
St. Michael's	7000	State & Balto. City Securities.	audited.	no ins.	1	2000	1200 00	900 00	.....
St. Peter's	no formal audit.	12250	1	2000	1300 00	1300 00	.....
Holy Trinity
Whitemarsh	audited.	insured	1	1500	.....	.....	.....
All Saints'	audited.	5000	.....	.....	200 00	200 00	Some 20 acres.
Trinity Cathedral	audited.	800	.....	.....	200 00	300 00	.....
St. Matthew's
Spring Hill	750	Private Security.	audited.	no ins.	1	1500	1000 00	1000 00	.....
Stepney
All Hallowa	3500	Notes and Mortgages.	.....	.....	1	.....	600 00	600 00	.....
Worcester	audited.	1250	.....	.....	600 00	600 00	.....

There are 19 Rectories in the Diocese.

APPENDIX.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE DIOCESAN MISSIONS BOARD.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS BOARD *in account with* I. L. ADKINS, *Treasurer.*

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		To balance brought forward.....	\$25 21
1877.	June 30.	To paid draft All Saints Church.....	75 00
		“ “ St. Luke's Parish.....	50 00
		“ “ St. James Church, P. D.....	62 50
		“ “ St. John's Parish.....	50 00
		“ “ Dorchester Parish.....	75 00
		“ “ Coventry Parish.....	50 00
		“ “ St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish....	75 00
		“ “ East New Market Parish.....	75 00
	Oct. 5.	“ “ St. James Church, P. D.....	62 50
		“ “ St. Luke's Parish.....	25 00
		“ “ All Saints Church.....	50 00
		“ “ Dorchester Parish.....	75 00
		“ “ St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish....	75 00
		“ “ Trinity Cathedral..	50 00
1878.	Jan. 2.	“ “ St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish....	75 00
		“ “ Coventry Parish.....	50 00
		“ “ St. James Church, P. D....	62 50
		“ “ St. Luke's Parish.....	50 00
		“ “ Trinity Cathedral.....	50 00
		“ “ All Saints Church.....	50 00
		“ “ All Hallows Parish.....	25 00
		“ “ Dorchester Parish.....	75 00
	March 30.	“ “ Trinity Cathedral....	50 00
		“ “ St. James Church, P. D....	62 50
		“ “ St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish....	75 00
		“ “ St. Luke's Parish.....	50 00

1878. March 30.	To paid draft St. John's Parish.	50 00	
	" " Dorchester Parish	75 00	
	" " For printing.....	9 00	
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		\$1684 21	
	Balance in hand.....	165 56	
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		\$1849 77	

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June 7 to Apr. 6.	By Cash from North Sassafras Parish... ..	\$ 77 10
June 7 to May 14.	" " Great Choptank Parish.. ..	139 15
May 15 to Apr. 30.	" " Wye Parish	97 07
June 9 to Mar. 19.	" " St. Michael's Parish.....	91 20
June 10 to May 30.	" " St. Peter's Parish.....	225 38
June 26 to Apr. 30.	" " St. James Church, P. D	36 47
June 26 to Apr. 30.	" " St. John's Parish.....	27 53
June 26 to Apr. 6.	" " Trinity Cathedral.....	64 29
July 1 to Mar. 13.	" " All Saints Church.....	40 79
June 1 to Jan. 2.	" " Pocomoke & Coventry Parishes	44 20
June 18 to Mar. 13.	" " St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish	29 16
July 10 to Apr. 3.	" " St. Paul's (Q. A.) Parish.....	104 17
July 30 to Mar. 29.	" " St. Luke's Parish.....	51 84
July 30 to Mar. 29.	" " Dorchester Parish.....	31 47
July 31 to May 20.	" " Trinity Parish.....	51 14
Aug. 4 to Mar. 13.	" " Whitemarsh Parish.....	8 70
Aug. 6 to Apr. 3.	" " Chester Parish.....	87 20
Aug. 28 to Jan. 2.	" " Worcester Parish.....	30 95
Sept. 20 to May 14.	" " Spring Hill Parish.....	29 96
Sept. 26 to Apr. 16.	" " Shrewsbury Parish.....	75 00
Oct. 30 to Apr. 30.	" " St. Mary Anne's Parish.....	68 00
Jan. 14 to May 14.	" " Somerset Parish.....	85 98
Jan. 22 to May 14.	" " E. N. Market & Vienna Parishes	9 27
April 6.	" " North Kent Parish	11 00
May 21.	" " St. Paul's (Kent) Parish.....	11 50
May 21.	" " I. U. Parish.....	6 25
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		\$1534 77

By Cash from Contributions in response to the Bishop's Appeal :

From Chester Parish.....	\$ 75 00
" St. Michael's Parish.....	90 00
" St. Peter's Parish.....	150 00
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	\$315 00
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	\$1849 77

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

To the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese of Easton.

GENTLEMEN:—Herewith are the receipts and disbursements of the year, which is the tenth and last of the term of subscription. It will be seen that the interest receipts from subscriptions and investments aggregate \$2231.29, which, with the balance of \$401.10 from last year, paid the Bishop's salary of \$2500, leaving \$132.39 in hand.

It may be estimated that the investments alone will yield \$2000 for the coming year. But on account of default of interest in some of them beginning with the panic of 1873, and varying from year to year since, we are in some uncertainty as to whether the estimated two thousand income will be more or less. The subscription list shows about \$8000 unpaid principal and interest, half of which ought to be realized, and no pains should be spared to this end. But we cannot place certain reliance on these past-due accounts.

Notes have been taken by the special collector, Mr. Wm. R. Martin, to the amount of about \$2000 in settlement, which he considers good. Punctual payment of interest on these, and on the supposed collectable arrears on the books, should yield two to three hundred dollars. This narrows us down to a probable deficiency of three hundred dollars. How shall this be provided for? It should be practicable by assessment or by new parish subscriptions of say \$5000, payable in two or more instalments.

Investments before reported.....\$35,639 27

RECEIPTS—PRINCIPAL OF SUBSCRIPTIONS.

From the tenth annual instalment	\$2,325 00
" Baltimore City stock redeemed.....	1,000 00
" Payment on mortgage.....	1,000 00
Balance at last report.....	965 37
	<hr/> \$5,290

EXPENSES.

Paid taxes	\$123 30
" Stamps, Safe Deposit box, &c.....	15 00
" Wm. R. Martin, special collector.....	72 62

INVESTMENTS.

Loans on mortgage	\$2,000 00
" temporary	2,000 00
On hand to invest	1,079 45
	<hr/> \$5,290 37

INTEREST AND DIVIDEND RECEIPTS.

On investments	\$1,741 96
On subscriptions.....	489 33
Balance at last report	401 10
	<hr/> \$2,632 39

DISBURSED.

In payment of the Bishop's salary.....	\$2,500 00
On hand to pay Bishop's salary	132 39
	————— \$2,632 39

June, 1878.

I. L. ADKINS, *Treasurer.*

The Trustees respectfully submit the Treasurer's Report.

It appears that the Fund has increased four thousand dollars this year, counting the notes taken in settlement (\$2000), which are not put in the statement. The payment of them, and of the interest upon them, may depend upon the *home* efforts to collect when due. We have a thousand dollars to invest besides. The open book accounts should be actively prosecuted to a close, by legal procedure when other means fail. Throughout the past ten years we have promptly paid the Bishop's salary out of the Fund, without encroaching upon the principal, needing not to appear before the Convention for help. But from the Treasurer's explicit statement it is easy to see that this cannot certainly be done hereafter, unless the parish authorities address themselves to the task of securing payment from delinquent subscribers.

To leave nothing to chance, the Convention is respectfully asked to take action in the premises, and to consider the feasibility of a new subscription of \$5000 to the Fund, an average of \$200 to the parish, more or less in each, according to ability, or the plan of voluntary annual contributions of \$12 where the parish subscription is impracticable. Either of these expedients would furnish the estimated lack of \$300, and save us from a possible deficit in the salary at the end of the year. Any other or better timely provision to meet the case that the Convention may adopt should insure willing co-operation.

While it is a source of regret to the Trustees that any investment should have failed of productiveness, even temporarily, it is no small satisfaction that, in the general shrinkage of securities and the crash which sank the fortunes of many out of sight, they are able to report a close approach to an Episcopate Endowment on a permanent basis. To complete the work, which will make our small Diocese exceptional, constant effort on the part of all is earnestly invoked.

CHARLES LOWNDES,
EDW'D L. F. HARDCASTLE,
GEO. R. GOLDSBOROUGH,
W. S. WALKER,
I. L. ADKINS.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF EASTON *in account with*THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer.*

DR.

1877.

June 4.	To cash paid the Rev. E. F. Dashiell.....	\$ 5 02
" 8.	" " " J. L. Bryan, Secretary	20 00
" 8.	" " " Sexton at Cambridge	10 00

Appendix.

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June 11.	To cash paid Innes & Co., for printing Journal.	175 82
Aug. 25.	" " Rev. J. L. Bryan, cost of printing forms, expressage, stamps, paper, &c.	13 50
Oct. 2.	" " Dues to the General Convention	128 02
" 30.	" " Clerical Deputies' expenses to the General Convention.....	91 25
1878.		
Jan. 25.	" " Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, sundry bills.....	19 02
Mch. 27.	" " " " travelling expenses...	250 00
Apl. 23.	" " expenses of Standing Committee.....	9 55
May 14.	" " for paper, &c.....	1 76
	Balance.....	12 08
		<u>\$727 99</u>

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1877.

June 2.	By balance in hand	\$136 99
" 7.	By cash of the Rev. Mr. Mitchell, chairman of Committee on Parochial Contributions	477 00
" 8.	" " from St. Mary's Whitechapel in full for extra assess- ment.	1 50
" 8.	" " " St. Paul's (Q. A.) Parish, for extra assessment.	13 50
Sept. 4.	" " " St. James Church, P. D., for extra assessment.	4 00
" 19.	" " " Great Choptank Parish, for extra assessment..	10 00
" 20.	" " " Somerset Parish, for extra assessment.....	13 50
1878.		
Jan. 19.	" " " North Kent Parish, on acct. for extra assessment	20 00
" 19.	" " " St. Paul's (Kent) Parish, on account for extra assessment	6 00
" 19.	" " " N. Sassafras Parish, on acct. for extra assess- ment.....	13 50
Feb. 21.	" " " St. James Church, for the year 1874.	7 00
May 3.	" " " St. James Church in full Parish contribution....	12 50
" 3.	" " " Trinity Cathedral.....	12 50
June 11.	" " " Shrewsbury Parish, Kent Co., extra assessment for 1877.....	8 00
		<u>\$735 99</u>

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF TREASURER OF CLERGY RELIEF FUND.

1877.

June 2.	Cash balance on hand, as per last report.....	\$366 57
	Error in contribution from Shrewsbury Parish.....	5 00
	Making actual cash balance then on hand.....	\$371 57
	One year's interest thereon, being to June 1, 1878....	22 29

Contributions received.

June	9.	From North Elk Parish	\$ 3 55	
"	9.	" Poconoke Parish.....	3 25	
"	19.	" St. Michael's Parish	5 50	
"	20.	" Spring Hill Parish.....	5 50	
"	27.	" Worcester Parish.....	7 25	
"	27.	" East New Market Parish.....	4 00	
"	27.	" Vienna Parish.....	2 75	
July	1.	" Trinity Parish, Elkton.....	3 50	
Aug.	1.	" Dividend on 6 shares M. H. stock.....	12 00	
1878.				
Feb.	1.	" Dividend on 6 shares M. H. stock.....	12 00	
Apl.	30.	" Shrewsbury Parish	15 00	
			<hr/>	74 30

Amounting to\$468 16

Cash in my hands June 1, 1878.

Respectfully submitted,

ED. L. F. HARDCASTLE, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF TREASURER OF HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN.

HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN *in account with* MRS. G. R. GOLDSBOROUGH.

SUBSCRIPTIONS FROM PARISHES.

Cecil County, North Sassafras Parish, St. Stephen's Ch.....	\$ 33 05	
" " North Elk Parish, St. Mary Anne's Ch.....	24 70	
" " St. James Ch., Port Deposit.....	11 00	
Total from Cecil County.....	<hr/>	\$68 75
Kent County, Shrewsbury Parish.....	25 00	
" " Chester Parish.....	10 10	
" " St. Paul's Parish.....	8 75	
Total from Kent County.....	<hr/>	43 85
Queen Anne's, Wye Parish.....	25 00	
" " St. Paul's Parish.....	37 90	
" " Children of Centreville	23 61	
" " St. Luke's Parish.....	4 00	
Total from Queen Anne's County	<hr/>	90 51
Caroline County, St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.....	6 29	
" " Church of the Holy Trinity.....	2 31	
Total from Caroline County.....	<hr/>	8 60
Talbot County, St. Michael's Parish, Christ Church.....	68 25	
" " " " St. John's Chapel.....	30 35	
" " St. Peter's Parish, Easton.....	149 86	
" " Whitemarsh Parish.....	50 00	
" " The Cathedral	8 89	
" " All Saints Church.....	43 82	
Total from Talbot County.....	<hr/>	351 17

Dorchester County, Great Choptank Parish.....	58 01	
“ “ East New Market Parish.....	5 00	
“ “ Dorchester Parish, Grace Church.....	7 00	
Total from Dorchester County.....	—	70 01
Somerset County, Somerset Parish.....	15 00	
Total from Somerset County.....	—	15 00
Worcester County, Worcester Parish	32 22	
“ “ Pocomoke Parish.....	17 35	
“ “ All Hallows Parish, Snow Hill.....	4 75	
Total from Worcester County	—	54 32
Total contributions from Parishes	702 21	
Interest of Investments.....	380 00	
Miscellaneous receipts	60 85	
Loan to meet building expenses	296 93	
Balance June 4th, 1877.....	174 16	
Total receipts.....	—	1614 15

EXPENDITURES.

Matron's salary	\$200 00
Assistant Matron	90 00
Insurance.....	32 25
Supplies	379 54
Clothing	79 56
Wages	36 75
Fuel	82 75
Medicine.....	13 16
General expenses	112 58
Building new kitchen and bath fixtures	470 84
Paid part of loan.....	100 00
Total spent.....	1597 43
Balance in bank	16 72
	—
	\$1614 15

MRS. G. R. GOLDSBOROUGH, *Treasurer.*

June 1st, 1878.

EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN, DIOCESE OF EASTON.

The swift passage of another year makes it our duty to present to you the Eighth Annual Report of the Home for Friendless Children. And again, as in the past, we have reason to be thankful for the almost uninterrupted good health which has been vouchsafed to the inmates. During the year we have added to the building a new and commodious kitchen, containing a force pump which supplies water to the bath-room above. This improvement, which was much needed, cost five hundred dollars.

Three children have been received into the Home, making the present number twenty-two. The last is from Chestertown, and her clothing is pro-

vided by the Sunday School of that Parish. The ladies of Christ Church Guild, Denton, have also undertaken to clothe a child.

There has been a steady diminution for some time past in the number of boxes sent to the home from Parishes at a distance, but we hope this is due to causes other than a lack of interest in the Institution. Provisions sent in that way materially lighten the current expenses each month, and can generally be collected in a parish without imposing any burden upon the donors.

Our dormitory is now as full as is consistent with health, and if we had the funds it would be advisable to add one or two rooms to the building. Subjoined will be found the usual list of boxes received and of parishes wherein a child is clothed.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. CORNELIA DAWSON, *Corresponding Sec'y.*

ELIZA W. LAY, *President.*

LIST OF PARISHES IN WHICH A CHILD IS CLOTHED.

St. Mary Anne's Parish ; Great Choptank Parish ; North Sassafras Parish ; Shrewsbury Parish ; St. Paul's Parish ; Queen Anne's ; Chester Parish ; Princess Anne ; Berlin ; Salisbury ; Church of the Holy Trinity ; Greensborough ; the Sunday School of Chestertown, Kent Co., each clothe one child. Three children are clothed in St. Michael's Parish ; two ladies of Baltimore clothe a child ; some ladies of Elkton one child ; Happy Thought Society, Wye Parish, one child ; Christ Church Guild, Denton, one child.

LIST OF BOXES AND BARRELS RECEIVED.

One wagon load provisions, All Saints Church.

Provisions from St. Michael's Parish.

Provisions at various times from Wye Parish.

Wagon load of provisions from Centreville.

Provisions and dry goods—Mrs. Hulme, of Kent County.

One barrel of sweet potatoes, one barrel of flour and a box of sundries from St. Mary's Church, Newtown.

One box clothing and sundries from Elkton.

Box of provisions from Princess Anne.

Christmas box from Miss Ringgold of Baltimore.

Box of provisions from East New Market.

Box of provisions from St. Mary's Church, Newtown.

Every month during the year donations are received from individuals of Easton and vicinity.

LIST OF OFFICERS.

MRS. HENRY C. LAY, *President.*

MRS. A. M. HOLLYDAY, *Vice-President.*

MRS. M. M. DAWSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

MRS. M. S. PINKNEY, *Recording Secretary.*

MRS. G. R. GOLDSBOROUGH, *Treasurer.*

MANAGERS.

Mrs. J. E. M. CHAMBERLAINE,	Mrs. ELIZABEH LOVEDAY,
" M ARGARET HUGHLETT,	" T. K. ROBSON,
" J. C. W. POWELL,	" R. C. HOLLYDAY,
" S. A. HARRISON,	" M. F. PHIPPS,
" W. H. SMITH,	Miss M. GOLDSBOROUGH,
Miss A. G. PINKNEY,	" J. P. DAWSON.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

Rev. R OBERT WILSON, M. D.	I. L. ADKINS, M. D.
" E RASTUS F. DASHIELL,	JOHN McD. GOLDSBOROUGH,
E. M. HARDCASTLE, M. D.	

LEGAL ADVISER.

CHARLES H. GIBSON.

PHYSICIANS.

DR. J OHN C. EARLE,	DR. JAMES M. H. BATEMAN.
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MATRON.

Miss LOUISA D. NABB.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Miss S. PHILLIPPS.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MONUMENT TO BISHOP STONE.

To the President and Members of the Annual Convention of the Diocese of Easton:

At the Annual Convention of the Diocese, held in Easton, in June, 1876, the undersigned, together with the Rt. Rev. Henry C. Lay, Bishop of the Diocese, and the late Rev. Wm. Fulton, D. D., were appointed a committee to superintend the removal of the remains of the Rt. Rev. William Murray Stone and wife, from their long-neglected graves, on what is known as the "Bishop Stone Farm," situated in Spring Hill Parish, about four miles from the town of Salisbury, to the "Parsons Cemetery," owned by the Vestry of said Parish, and beautifully located on the suburbs of the aforesaid town. And whereas, the aforesaid Committee reported the discharge of their duties to the Diocesan Convention, at the Annual Meeting held in Cambridge, in June, 1877, and were continued with authority to have erected a suitable monument at the grave of Bishop Stone; I therefore, in behalf of said Committee, and as a member of the same, beg leave to report, that the funds raised by the two Dioceses of Maryland and Easton for the purposes aforesaid, amounted to *two hundred and fifty dollars*, which sum was expended in full on said monument, as the receipt of Messrs. Ellis & Doward, of Salisbury, will show, and which receipt is hereto annexed as a part of this report.

The Committee, as well as the entire Diocese, met with the sad loss of one of its ablest members, in the death of the learned Dr. Fulton, so that the responsibility of performing the trust imposed by the Convention at Cam-

bridge, has rested upon the shoulders of our good Bishop and myself. The monument is of beautiful design, and executed in the most artistic manner, and, no doubt, forms one of the most graceful piles of granite and polished Italian marble upon this peninsula. The granite base is 18 inches thick and two feet nine inches square, all the rest of the monument being of the finest Italian marble, highly polished and in perfect proportion. The sub-base is one foot thick by two feet two inches square, with the following inscription on the front: "This memorial of the Church's love, is erected by the Dioceses of Maryland and Easton, 1878." Between the sub-base and the die, are two heavy mouldings one foot thick. The die, 2 feet 6 inches high, and one foot ten inches square at the bottom, with four equal concave sides, and a shield on each side in bold relief, curves gracefully between the mouldings and the heavy cornice above. The front shield bears the inscription in bas relief: "In loving memory of the Rt. Rev. Wm. Murray Stone, D. D., sometime Bishop of Maryland." On the shield to the left is beautifully engraved a bishop's mitre, with the date of birth underneath, to wit: "Born June 1st 1804." On the rear shield are the cross-keys and date of consecration, to wit: "Consecrated October 21st, 1838," and on the fourth and last shield is the head of the crosier or bishop's crook, with the date of the bishop's death underneath, "February 26th, 1838." On the die top is a heavy cornice surmounted with five heavy mouldings, occupying altogether a space of two feet, and the whole surmounted by an imposing cross four feet high by six inches square. On the front of the cross is a smaller one in relief, with the letter "I" also in relief across the left arm, the letter "H" extending up and down the shaft, and the letter "S" across the right arm. The entire monument is eleven feet high, and stands in the most conspicuous lot in the cemetery at the head of the central avenue. It was unveiled Tuesday afternoon March 26th, 1878, in the presence of a large and select company, with appropriate service suggested by the Bishop of the Diocese; the Rev. J. H. Hopkins, Rector of Spring Hill Parish, officiating. The designs on all the shields are in bold relief, as recommended by the Rev. J. H. Hopkins, of Philadelphia, Pa., who was kind enough to execute and furnish the entire design of the same at the request of Bishop Lay.

Respectfully submitted by,

J. A. PARSONS, *for the Committee.*

Resolved March 1st, 1878, of the Rt. Rev. Henry C. Lay, through the action of the Convention, the sum of *two hundred and fifty dollars*, in full of the sum expended in making and erecting the monument to the memory of the Rt. Rev. Wm. Murray Stone, D. D., in the "Parsons Cemetery" at Salisbury, Maryland.

1878:

ELLIS & DOWARD.

**COPIES OF ACTS OF THE LEGISLATURE RELATING TO THE DIOCESE
OF EASTON.**

1878.

CHAPTER 147.

An Act to explain certain corporate powers and privileges heretofore conferred, and also to confer additional powers and privileges upon the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton, by authorizing it to receive by gift, devise or otherwise, contributions in money, land or other property, and to hold the same for the purposes therein mentioned.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the corporate powers and privileges conferred upon the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton by the Act of Assembly, passed at the January Session, eighteen hundred and seventy, Chapter twenty-three, for the incorporation of said Convention, be and the same are hereby explained and extended, so as to enable said Convention to receive by gift, devise or otherwise, contributions in money, lands or other property, and to hold the same for burial grounds, Church Colleges, Church or Parish Schools, for the support of missionaries and mission work, for building, adorning or repairing churches or mission chapels, and for any other such general or special religious or charitable work, or agencies, within said Diocese, as are now or may hereafter be under the jurisdiction, control or sanction of the said Convention, as the same may be designated by the donor, with the same power in regard to the administration of the respective funds so arising, and subject to the same form of acceptance by said Convention as is prescribed in said original act.

SECTION 2. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall take effect from the day when an official certificate of its acceptance by the said Convention shall be filed with the Secretary of State.

Provided, however, That this act shall not be so construed as to interfere with the rights of any person under a proper legal construction of any act or law in force at the time of its passage.

FETTER S. HOBLITZEL,

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

EDWARD LLOYD,

President of the Senate.

Approved this 27th day of March, 1878.
(The Great Seal.)

JOHN LEE CARROLL,
Governor.

Maryland Sct :

I, James S. Franklin, Clerk of the Court of Appeals of Maryland, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full and true copy of the act of the General Assembly of Maryland, of which it purports to be a copy as taken from the original law, belonging to and deposited in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Appeals of Maryland.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand as Clerk and affix the seal of the said Court of Appeals, this 6th day of April, 1878.

JAMES S. FRANKLIN,

Clerk of the Court of Appeals of Maryland.

CHAPTER 457.

An Act to give and declare the sanction of the General Assembly of Maryland to the several bequests of the Rev. John Crosdale, D. D., late of Worcester county, deceased, to the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton, State of Maryland, as Trustees of Pocomoke Parish, in said diocese; and also to the bequest of three hundred dollars to the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton, State of Maryland, as Trustees for Coventry Parish, in said diocese, as contained and designated in the last will and testament of the said Rev. John Crosdale, D. D., deceased.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the sanction and consent of the General Assembly of Maryland be and the same is hereby given and declared to the several bequests of various sums of money to the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton, State of Maryland, as Trustees of Pocomoke Parish, in said diocese; and also to the bequest of three hundred dollars to the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton, State of Maryland, as Trustees for Coventry Parish, in said Diocese; all of which bequests are contained in the last will and testament of Rev. John Crosdale, D. D., deceased, duly admitted to probate in the Orphans' Court of Worcester county, in the State of Maryland.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 5, 1878.

JOHN LEE CARROLL, *Governor.*

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CONVENTION ASSESSMENTS.

	For Diocesan Expenses Due June 1872
St. John's, Charlotte.....	\$5 00
St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	5 00
St. Mary Anne's.....	15 00
North-Sassafra.....	50 00
Trinity, Eakton.....	20 00
St. James, Port Deposit.....	12 50
Dorchester Parish.....	8 00
East-Newmarket.....	8 00
Great-Choptank.....	30 00
Vicinia.....	5 00
Christy Parish.....	10 00
L. U.....	10 00
North-Kent.....	20 00
St. Paul's, Kent.....	20 00
Shrewsbury.....	20 00
Wye Parish.....	10 00
Christ Church, Q. A.....	15 00
St. Luke's, Q. A.....	5 00
St. Paul's, Q. A.....	10 00
Country Parish.....	10 00
Somerset Parish.....	10 00
Pocomoke Parish.....	18 00
St. Michael's Parish.....	10 00
St. Peter's Parish.....	50 00
White-maish Parish.....	25 00
Trinity Cathedral.....	50 00
Spring-Hill Parish.....	10 00
All-Hallows Parish.....	5 00
Worcester Parish.....	5 00

A BIBLE PASTORAL TO ACCOMPANY THE JOURNAL.

Be we careful to remember that all mortal men are subject to many sudden pains, diseases, and sorrows, and ever uncertain what time they shall depart out of this life.

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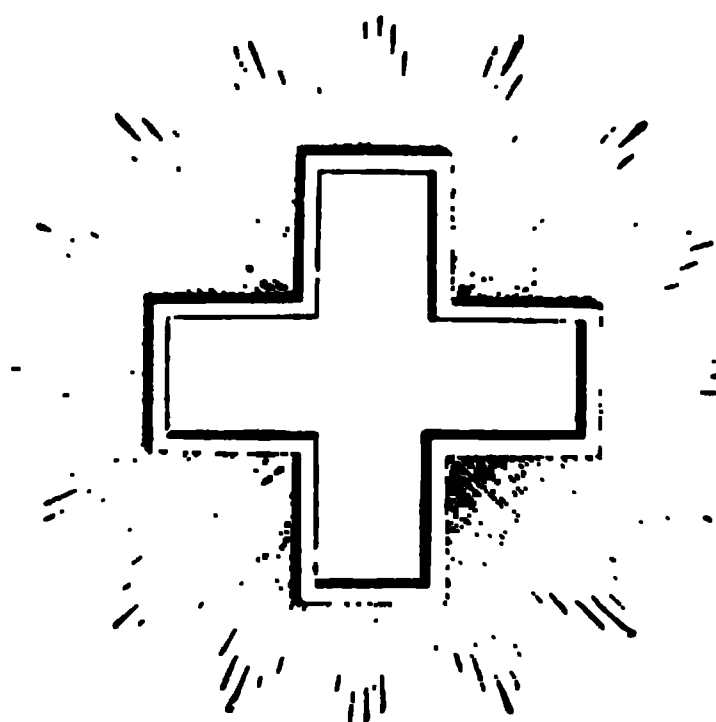
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Legacies may be left to the various charities and religious undertakings of the Diocese by the names and designations given below:

HENRY C. LAY,
Bishop of Kansas

- 1 I give to the CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
IN THE DIOCESE OF EASTON, for said Dollars to
- a. the uses and purposes of said Convention, or
b. for the use of the Clergy Relief Fund of said
Convention, or
c. for the use of the Episcopal Fund of said
Diocese, or
d. for the Mission of the Diocese, or for any
other specific use.
- 2 I give to TRINITY CATHEDRAL, EASTON, for
- a. for the purpose of building or repairs, or
b. for the enlargement thereof, to be applied wholly
or partly to the expansion of, or
c. for church uses, to be expended by the
Wardens of said Cathedral.
- 3 I give to the HOME FOR THE FRIENDLESS CHILDREN OF THE
EASTERN SHORE OF MARYLAND, Dollars
- 4 I give to the VESTRY OF PARISH of the
I give to the CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
IN THE DIOCESE OF EASTON, for the use of Parish
for said Dollars, to be applied to the support of the Rectory, or to the support of the
Clergy, or to any other proper spiritual

Diocese of Easton.



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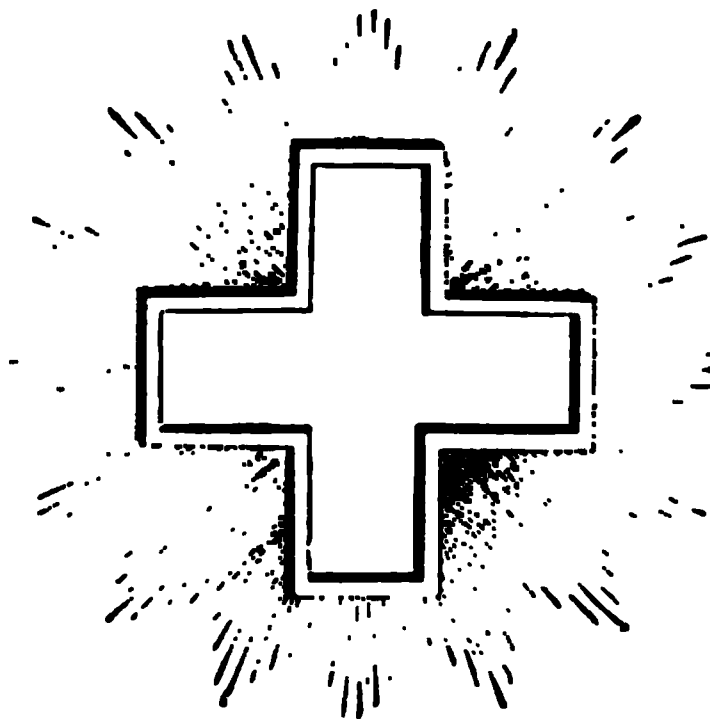
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Legacies may be left to the various charities and religious undertakings of the Diocese by the names and designations given to each.

HENRY C. LAY,
Bishop of Exeter.

I.	The Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church	Dollars for
II.	The Diocese of Exeter, to be paid of	Dollars for
	the expenses and purposes of said Convention; or	
	to be paid of the Charity Relief Fund of said	
	Diocese;	
	to be paid of the Episcopal Fund of said	
	Diocese;	
	to be paid of the Diocese, or for any	
	other purpose;	
III.	The Bishop of Exeter, to be paid of	
	the said Diocese, for	
	the cost of repairs; or	
	the said annual profits	
	of the said	
	Diocese, to be	
	expended by the	
	Bishop of Exeter, or the	
	Diocese, or the	
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	Diocese, or the	

Diocese of Easton.



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MEETINGS OF THE CONVOCATIONS.

NORTHERN.

REV. LEWIS WALKE, *Dean*.

St. Paul's, Kent, Tuesday, September 2d. St. Stephen's, Cecil, Tuesday, February 3d. Shrewsbury, Kent, Tuesday, May 4th.

MIDDLE.

REV. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D., *Dean*.

Church Hill, Tuesday, November 25th. St. Michael's, Tuesday, January 20th. Cambridge, Tuesday, April 20th.

SOUTHERN.

REV. JOHN O. BARTON, D. D., *Dean*.

Fair Mount, Tuesday, September 30th. Princess Anne, Tuesday, December 9th. Newtown, Tuesday, April 27th.

HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN.

Applications for admission to the Home for Friendless Children must be made, in writing, to the President of the Board, MRS. HENRY C. LAY, or to the Corresponding Secretary, MRS. M. M. DAWSON, Easton, Talbot County, Md.

Boxes of supplies should be marked with the name of the Parish, and directed to the "Home for Friendless Children, Easton, Md."

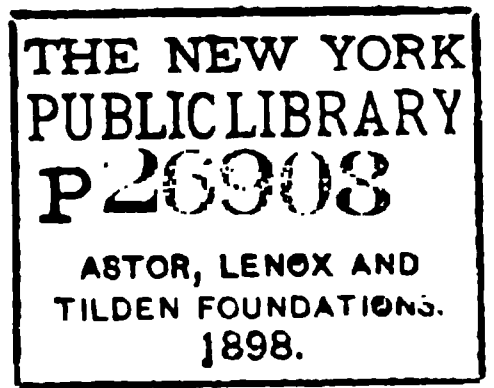
DIOCESAN TREASURERS.

The Bishop requests that remittances for Diocesan purposes may be made, not to him, but directly to the several Treasurers, the post-office of all of them being EASTON, MARYLAND. These are :

THOMAS HUGHLETT	Treasurer of Convention.
ISAAC L. ADKINS	" Episcopal Fund.
ISAAC L. ADKINS	" Diocesan Missions.
E. L. F. HARDCASTLE	" Clergy Relief.
Mrs. E. A. GOLDSBOROUGH . .	" Home for Friendless Children.

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The Twelfth Annual Convention
WILL BE HELD IN
St. Paul's Church, Centreville,
On Wednesday, June 2d, 1880.



LIST OF THE CLERGY
OF THE
DIOCESE OF EASTON, JUNE 4TH, 1879.

* * Those whose names are in *italics*, are not entitled to a seat in Convention, and those marked with an * did not attend its sessions.

Rt. Rev. HENRY C. LAY, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese.

Rev. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D., Rector of Great Choptank Parish.

- " **John A. Thompson*, residing on Kent Island.
- " ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, Rector of St. Michael's Parish.
- " *GEORGE F. BEAVEN, Rector of St. John's Parish.
- " *JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D., Deacon, Assistant Minister of Great Choptank Parish.
- " **Thomas L. Green*, residing at Church Hill.
- " *JOSEPH N. WATTSON, Rector of North Kent Parish.
- " JOHN O. BARTON, D. D., Rector of Somerset Parish.
- " JAMES A. MITCHELL, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Q. A. Co.
- " ROBERT WILSON, M. D., Rector of St. Peter's Parish.
- " *JOHN MARTIN, Rector of Shrewsbury Parish.
- " E. J. STEARNS, D. D., Rector of St. Mary's Whitechapel.
- " WILLIAM B. EVERETT, M. D., Rector of Wye Parish.
- " *George S. Fitzhugh*, residing near Berlin.
- " **Edward G. Perryman*, Perrymansville, Md.
- " STEPHEN C. ROBERTS, Rector of Chester Parish.
- " *HENRY A. SKINNER, Rector of Trinity Parish.
- " LEWIS WALKE, Rector of North Sassafras Parish.
- " *SEWELL S. HEPBRON, Rector of St. Paul's, Kent Co., & I. U. Parishes.
- " E. K. MILLER, Rector of North Elk or St. Mary Anne's Parish.
- " *PHILIP D. THOMPSON, Rector of Christ Church Parish.
- " **Pierre Du Gué Trapier*.
- " CHARLES E. MILNOR, Rector of Worcester Parish.
- " W. Y. BEAVEN, Assistant Minister of Trinity Cathedral.
- " GEORGE W. EASTER, Rector of St. James', Port Deposit.
- " WILLARD G. DAVENPORT, Rector of St. Luke's, Q. A. Co.
- " W. WALLACE GREENE, Rector of Dorchester Parish.
- " JOHN V. STRYKER, Assistant Minister of Trinity Cathedral.
- " J. H. B. BROOKS, Rector of Spring Hill Parish.
- " **Harrison Cruikshank*, M. D., Deacon, Gen'l Theological Seminary.
- " FRANCIS W. HILLIARD, Rector of Pocomoke Parish.
- " ALBERT R. WALKER, Rector of Whitemarsh Parish.
- " *Daniel Nash Allen*, Rector of All Hallows' Parish.
- " *J. Harry Chesley*, Minister in East New Market & Vienna Parishes.

In all, the Bishop, 31 Priests, and 3 Deacons=35.

LIST OF CLERGY,
WITH POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

- 1 The Rt. Rev. HENRY C. LAY, D. D., Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
- 2 " Rev. DANIEL NASH ALLEN, Snow Hill, Worcester Co., Md.
- 3 " " THEODORE P. BARBER, D.D., Cambridge, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 4 " " JOHN O. BARTON, Princess Anne, Somerset Co., Md.
- 5 " " GEORGE F. BEAVEN, Hillsborough, Caroline Co., Md.
- 6 " " W. Y. BEAVEN, Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
- 7 " " J. H. B. BROOKS, Salisbury, Wicomico Co., Md.
- 8 " " JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D., Cambridge, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 9 " " J. HARRY CHESLEY, East New Market, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 10 " " HARRISON CRUIKSHANK, New City, Rockland Co., N. Y.
- 11 " " ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, St. Michael's, Talbot Co., Md.
- 12 " " W. G. DAVENPORT, Church Hill, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 13 " " GEO. W. EASTER, Port Deposit, Cecil Co., Md.
- 14 " " WM. B. EVERETT, M. D., Wye Mills, Talbot Co., Md.
- 15 " " GEO. S. FITZHUGH, Berlin, Worcester Co., Md.
- 16 " " THOS. L. GREEN, Church Hill, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 17 " " W. WALLACE GREENE, Church Creek, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 18 " " SEWELL S. HRPBRON, Fairleigh, Kent Co., Md.
- 19 " " F. W. HILLIARD, Pocomoke City, Worcester Co., Md.
- 20 " " JOHN MARTIN, Locust Grove, Kent Co., Md.
- 21 " " ENOCH K. MILLER, North-East, Cecil Co., Md.
- 22 " " CHARLES E. MILNOR, Berlin, Worcester Co., Md.
- 23 " " JAS. A. MITCHELL, Centreville, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 24 " " EDWARD G. PERRYMAN, Perrymansville, Harford Co., Md.
- 25 " " STEPHEN C. ROBERTS, Chestertown, Kent Co., Md.
- 26 " " HENRY A. SKINNER, Elkton, Cecil Co., Md.
- 27 " " EDWARD J. STEARNS, D. D., ~~Denton, Caroline Co., Md.~~ *Easton,*
- 28 " " JOHN V. STRYKER, Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
- 29 " " JOHN A. THOMPSON, Kent Island, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 30 " " PHILIP D. THOMPSON, Kent Island, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 31 " " PIERRE DU GUE TRAPIER.
- 32 " " LEWIS WALKER, Cecilton, Cecil Co., Md.
- 33 " " ALBERT R. WALKER, Trappe, Talbot Co., Md.
- 34 " " J. N. WATTSON, Massey's, Kent Co., Md.
- 35 " " ROBERT WILSON, M. D., Easton, Talbot Co., Md.

LIST
OF
PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS IN THE DIOCESE OF
EASTON, WITH THE CLERGY OF THE SAME;
AND OF
LAY DELEGATES TO THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

Lay Delegates marked with an * did not attend.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

<p>St. John's Parish. St. Paul's Church, Hillsborough, Church of the Holy Trinity, Greensborough, Rev. George F. Beaven, Rector.</p> <p>St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish. Christ Church, Denton.</p>	<p><i>Lay Delegates.</i></p>
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CECIL COUNTY.

<p>Augustine Parish. St. Augustine Church.</p> <p>North Elk or St. Mary Anne's Parish. St. Mary Anne's Church, Northeast, St. Mark's Chapel, Perryville, Rev. Enoch K. Miller, Rector.</p> <p>North Sassafras Parish. St. Stephen's Church, ———— Chapel, Cecilton, Rev. Lewis Walke, Rector.</p> <p>Trinity Parish. Trinity Church, Elkton, Rev. Henry A. Skinner, Rector.</p> <p>St. James' Church. St. James' Church, Port Deposit, Rev. George W. Easter, Rector.</p>	<p></p> <p>Henry S. Coudon.</p> <p>*Wm. M. Knight.</p> <p>Alfred Wetherill.</p> <p>*Henry L. Physic.</p>
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DORCHESTER COUNTY.**Dorchester Parish.***Lay Delegates.*

Trinity Church, Church Creek,
 Grace Church, Taylor's Island,
 Rev. W. W. Greene, Rector.

W. W. Mace.

East New Market Parish.

St. Stephen's Church, East New Market,
 Rev. J. Harry Chesley, Minister.

Great Choptank Parish.

Christ Church, Cambridge,
 St. John's Chapel, Castle Haven Neck,
 Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., Rector.
 Rev. Jas. L. Bryan, M. D., Deacon,
 Assistant Minister.

Wm. R. Hayward.

Dan'l M. Henry, Jr.

Vienna Parish.

St. Paul's Church, Vienna,
 Rev. J. Harry Chesley, Minister.

W. S. Craft.

KENT COUNTY.**Chester Parish.**

St. Paul's Church, Chestertown,
 Rev. Stephen C. Roberts, Rector.

Wm. S. Walker.

I. U. Parish.

Christ Church,
 Rev. Sewell S. Hepbron, Rector.

S. S. Hepbron, Sr.

North Kent Parish.

St. Clement's Church, Massey's,
 Chapel of the Holy Cross, Millington,
 Rev. Joseph N. Wattson, Rector.

St. Paul's Parish.

St. Paul's Church,
 Rev. Sewell S. Hepbron, Rector.

James Rankine.

Shrewsbury Parish.

Shrewsbury Church,
 St. Andrew's Chapel, Galena,
 Rev. John Martin, Rector.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.**Christ Church Parish.**

Christ Church, Kent Island,
 Rev. Philip D. Thompson, Rector.

*Ed. C. Legg.

St. Luke's Parish.

St. Luke's Church, Church Hill,
 ——— Chapel, Sudlersville,
 Rev. W. G. Davenport, Rector.

Joseph E. George.

St. Paul's Parish.

St. Paul's Church, Centreville,
 Rev. James A. Mitchell, Rector.

R. T. Earle.

List of Parishes, &c.

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QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT COUNTIES.

Wye Parish.

Lay Delegates.

St. Luke's Church, Queenstown,

St. Luke's Chapel, Wye,

Rev. Wm. B. Everett, M. D., Rector. R. B. Carmichael.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Coventry Parish.

Rehoboth Church, Rehoboth,

St. Paul's Church, Annamessex,

St. Mark's Church, Kingston,

St. Stephen's Church, Fairmount.

Somerset Parish.

All Saints, Monie,

St. Andrew's Church, Princess Anne,

Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., Rector. Wm. H. Gale, M. D.

Wicomico Parish.

Grace Church.

SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

Pocomoke Parish.

St. Mary's Church, Pocomoke City,

St. Stephen's Church, Naswaddux,

Rev. Francis W. Hilliard, Rector. S. S. McMaster.

TALBOT COUNTY.

St. Michael's Parish.

St. Michael's Church, St. Michael's,

St. John's Church, Miles River Ferry,

St. Paul's Chapel, Royal Oak,

Rev. Erastus F. Dashiell, Rector. Geo. E. Haddaway.

All Saints' Parish.

All Saints' Church, Longwoods.

St. Peter's Parish.

Christ Church, Easton,

Rev. Robert Wilson, M. D., Rector. I. L. Adkins, M. D.

Church of the Holy Trinity, Oxford.

Whitemarsh Parish,

St. Peter's Church, Whitemarsh,

St. Paul's Church, Trappe,

Rev. Albert R. Walker, Rector. E. M. Hardcastle, M. D.

Trinity Cathedral.

Trinity Chapel,

Chapel of the Holy Cross, Easton Point,

The Bishop, Rector.

Rev. John V. Stryker and Rev. W. Y.

Beaven, Assistant Ministers.

J. F. Bateman.

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

WICOMICO COUNTY.

St. Matthew's Parish.

Lay Delegates.

St. Matthew's Church.

Spring Hill Parish.

\ St. Peter's Church,

St. Peter's Chapel, Salisbury,

St. Philip's Chapel, Quantico,

Rev. J. H. B. Brooks, Rector.

Chas. F. Holland.

Stepney Parish.

Stepney Church, Green Hill,

St. Mary's Chapel, Tyaskin.

WORCESTER COUNTY.

All Hallows' Parish.

All Hallows' Church, Snow Hill,

St. John's Church, Traptown,

Chapel of the Holy Cross, Sandy Hill,

Rev. E. N. Allen, Rector.

E. W. Bishop.

Worcester Parish.

St. Paul's Church, Berlin,

St. Martin's Church, St. Martin,

Rev. Charles E. Milnor, Rector.

John S. Purnell.

In all, 34 Incorporated Parishes and Congregations (represented at the Eleventh Annual Convention by 21 Lay Delegates), and 57 Churches and Chapels.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES OF THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

OFFICERS:

The Right Rev. HENRY CHAMPLIN LAY, D. D., LL. D.,
President.

The Rev. JAS. A. MITCHELL,
Secretary, Centreville, Md.

WM. S. WALKER, ESQ.,
Assistant Secretary, Chestertown, Md.

THOMAS HUGHLETT, ESQ.,
Treasurer of the Convention, Easton, Md.

I. L. ADKINS, M. D.,
Treasurer Diocesan Missions Fund, Easton.

E. L. F. HARDCASTLE,
Treasurer Clergy Relief Fund, Easton, Md.

The Rev. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D.,
Registrar of the Diocese, Cambridge, Md.

Standing Committee:

the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., (President); the Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell,
(Secretary); the Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., the Rev. E. F. Dashiell,
the Rev. Robert Wilson, M. D.

Ecclesiastical Court:

the Rev. Joseph N. Wattson, the Rev. George F. Beaven, the Rev. S. C.
Roberts.

Trustees of the Episcopal Fund:

Messrs. Richard B. Carmichael, I. L. Adkins, M. D., H. H. Dashiell,
Geo. R. Goldsborough, E. L. F. Hardcastle, Wm. S. Walker, Charles
Lowndes.

Board of Diocesan Missions:

the Bishop of the Diocese, (President), the Rev. Lewis Walke, the Rev.
Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., Messrs.
I. L. Adkins, M. D., (Treasurer), Jos. E. Chamberlaine, M. D.

Trustees of the General Theological Seminary:

the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, the Rev. Joseph N. Wattson, the Rev. E. J.
Stearns, D. D., the Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell.

The Board of Examiners in Theology:

the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., th
E. F. Dashiell.

Trustees of the Clergy Relief Fund:

the Bishop (President *ex-officio*), the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, the
Robert Wilson, M. D., and Messrs. E. L. F. Hardcastle, and Jc
Earle, M. D.

Board of Managers of the Trust Fund of the Diocese:

the Bishop (Chairman *ex-officio*), Thos. Hughlett (Treasurer *ex-*
Rev. E. F. Dashiell, Messrs. J. F. Bateman, and I. L. Adkins,

Deputies to the General Convention:

Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., Rev. Jo
Barton, D. D., Mr. Wm. S. Walker, Mr. R. C. Mackall, M. D
Isaac L. Adkins, M. D., Mr. Geo. R. Goldsborough.

RULES OF ORDER.

- 1. The business of every day shall be introduced with Prayer.**
- 2. This Convention shall sit for the dispatch of business, beginning with Divine service, at such hours as each Convention may determine.**
- 3. At the opening of the Session, the Convention shall be called to order by the Bishop; or, if there be no Bishop, or he be absent, by the President of the Standing Committee, or by some member of that body, appointed by those of its members who may be present.**
- 4. The names of the Clergymen, from a list furnished by the Bishop, and if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee, shall then be called over by the Secretary of the last Convention, or, in his absence, by some person appointed by the Bishop, or other person, who called the Convention to order. The Lay Delegates shall then lay their Certificates upon the table, and subscribe the Declaration required by the Constitution. If a quorum of both orders appear, the Bishop, if present, shall announce the fact, and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.**
- 5. In case of the absence of the Bishop, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the person, who called the Convention to order, shall announce that there is a quorum present. The Convention shall then proceed to elect a President, according to the seventh article of the Constitution; who shall, so soon as his election is completed, take the chair and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.**
- 6. The first business after that declaration is made, either by the Bishop or the President, shall be the election of a Secretary. The Chair may then appoint an Assistant Secretary and the Committees mentioned in the next Rule.**
- 7. The following Committees shall be appointed by the Chair: one on Rights of Clergymen to Seats in this Convention, consisting of three Clergymen; one on Elections, to consist of three Laymen, to whom the testimonials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred; one on Accounts, to consist of three Laymen; one on Parochial Contributions and Assessments, to consist of one Clergyman and four Laymen; one on the Admission of New Parishes and Congregations into union with this Convention, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman; one on the Episcopal Fund, to consist of two Laymen and one Clergyman; and one on Canons and other business, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman. The Chair shall also appoint all other Committees, for the appointment of which no other provision is made, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.**
- 8. Every member shall take his seat when the President takes the chair, and remain uncovered, until he shall have left the Convention.**
- 9. Every member, who shall speak in any debate, shall stand up in his place, and respectfully address himself to the President.**

10. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the President shall decide who shall speak first.

11. No member shall speak more than twice in any debate, without leave. If any member shall rise to speak more than twice on the same question without leave, the President shall call him to order. No member shall be interrupted, while he is speaking in order.

12. Any member, who is speaking, shall take his seat, when called to order by the President or any other member.

13. No member shall speak to another, so as to interrupt any member who may be speaking in debate.

14. No motion shall be debated, until the same shall be seconded, and, if desired by any member, reduced to writing and read by the Secretary.

15. When a motion is made and seconded, the matter of the motion shall receive a determination by the question, before any motion not privileged, shall be received.

16. Privileged motions, in their order of precedence, shall be, to adjourn, to postpone indefinitely, to lay on the table, to amend, and to offer a substitute ; the question on the first three to be taken without debate.

17. If a question contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

18. All questions of Order shall be decided by the President ; but there shall be a right of appeal to the Convention.

19. A question, being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention ; and shall not be again drawn into debate during the session, except with the consent of two-thirds of the Convention.

20. No question shall be taken on any Report, unless upon a motion to print or re-commit it ; but Reports shall, as of course, lie upon the table. If a Committee deem any action of the Convention desirable, it shall be their duty to present in writing such Resolutions, Acts, or Canons as they may think it should adopt ; which only shall be subject to the action of the Convention. Every act which divides a Parish, or in any way affects Parish Boundaries, shall distinctly set out the new Boundaries, which it is intended to establish. The Convention will not act upon any proposed Resolution, Act, or Canon, which is not conformed to the provisions of this rule.

21. All elections shall be by ballot, unless otherwise ordered ; the votes of the Clergy and Laity shall be received and counted separately ; but the vote shall be regarded as a joint one ; and the election shall be decided by a majority of the whole number of votes taken together, unless a vote by Orders shall have been required, agreeably to the fifth article of the Constitution.

22. It shall be the order of the day at 12 M. on the second day of the session of the Convention, to elect the Standing Committee, and the other officers whom it is the duty of the Convention to appoint.

23. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions, until altered, or rescinded ; and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION *of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton*, assembled in All Hallows' Church, Snow Hill, on Wednesday, the fourth day of June, 1879, at 10.30 A. M.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. Mitchell, Stearns, and Stryker. The Ante-Communion Service was said by the Rev. Robert Wilson.

The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. Lewis Walke, from Phil. iii. part of 20th verse.

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Rev. Dr. Barber.

Divine Service being concluded, the Rev. Dr. Barber, as President of the Standing Committee, called the Convention to order. Mr. W. S. Walker, Assistant Secretary of last Convention, called the roll of the clergy from the list furnished by the Standing Committee, when the following answered to their names :

Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D.,	Rev. Charles E. Milnor,
" John O. Barton, D. D.,	" James A. Mitchell,
" J. H. B. Brooks,	" S. C. Roberts,
" W. Y. Beaven.	" E. J. Stearns, D. D.,
" W. G. Davenport,	" John V. Stryker,
" Geo. W. Easter,	" Lewis Walke,
" W. B. Everett, M. D.,	" Albert R. Walker,
" W. Wallace Greene,	" Robert Wilson, M. D.
" Francis W. Hilliard,	=17

The Rev. Mr. Allen was present, although not entitled to a seat.

The certificates of the Lay Delegates being laid on the table of the Secretary, the list of such Delegates was read, and the following answered to their names :

I. L. Adkins, M. D.,	Wm. R. Hayward, M. D.,
J. F. Bateman,	Daniel M. Henry, Jr.,
E. W. Bishop, M. D.,	Sewell Hepbron,
R. B. Carmichael,	Chas. F. Holland,
W. S. Craft,	W. W. Mace,
R. T. Earle,	S. S. McMaster,
Wm. H. Gale, M. D.,	John R. Purnell,
Jos. E. George,	J. Rankine,
G. F. Haddaway,	W. S. Walker,
E. M. Hardcastle, M. D.,	Alfred Wetherill. =20.

A quorum of both orders being present, the President of the Standing Committee announced that the Convention was duly organized, and that in the absence of the Bishop the first business in order was the election of a Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Barton nominated the Rev. Theo. P. Barber. On motion, the Rev. Dr. Stearns was authorized by the Convention to cast the vote. The vote being for the Rev. Dr. Barber, he was declared elected.

The Rev. Dr. Barber then took the Chair, and announced the election of a Secretary in order. The Rev. James L. Bryan, the Secretary of last Convention, being unable to serve longer on account of ill health, the Rev. James A. Mitchell was nominated. There being no other nomination, an election by ballot was dispensed with, and the Rev. Mr. Mitchell was elected.

The President appointed Mr. W. S. Walker, Assistant Secretary.

Dr. Adkins offered the following, which was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be tendered to the Rev. James L. Bryan for his long and faithful service as its Secretary, through a period of ten years, dating from the formation of the Diocese.

The President announced the following Committees :

On Rights of Clergymen to Seats.—Rev. Messrs. Roberts, Everett and Milnor.

On Elections.—Messrs. Carmichael, McMaster, and Bateman.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Barton, it was

Resolved, That clergymen of other Dioceses, who have favored us with their presence, clergymen and officers of this Diocese not entitled to seats, together with the Vestry of All Hallows' Parish, Snow Hill, be invited to attend the sittings of this Convention.

Upon this invitation, Rev. Dr. Morton, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and Rev. Mr. Allen, Rector of All Hallows' Parish, took seats in the Convention.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Stearns, it was

Resolved, That the sessions of this Convention be from 9 A. M. to 1 P. M., and at 3 P. M.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

3 P. M.

The President called the Convention to order.

The Rev. Mr. Roberts, from the Committee on Rights of Clergymen to Seats, reported the following list of Clergymen entitled to seats, viz: the Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, Bishop, the Revs. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., John O. Barton, D. D., George F. Beaven, W. Y. Beaven, J. H. B. Brooks, James L. Bryan, M. D., Erastus F. Dashiell, W. G. Davenport, Geo. W. Easter, Wm. B. Everett, M. D., W. Wallace Greene, Sewell S. Hepbron, Francis W. Hilliard, John Martin, Enoch K. Miller, Charles E. Milnor, James A. Mitchell, S. C. Roberts, H. A. Skinner, Edward J. Stearns, D. D., John V. Stryker, Philip D. Thompson, Joseph N. Watson, Lewis Walke, Albert R. Walker, Robert Wilson, M. D.

Mr. Carmichael, from the Committee on Elections, reported the following Lay Delegates as entitled to seats, viz: Messrs. I. L. Adkins, J. F. Bateman, G. W. Bishop, R. B. Carmichael, Henry S. Coudon, Richard T. Earle, W. H. Gale, Jos. E. George, G. E. Haddaway, E. M. Hardcastle, W. R. Hayward, D. M. Henry, Jr., Sewell Hepbron, Charles F. Holland, Wm. M. Knight, Edward C. Legg, W. W. Mace, S. S. McMaster, John

R. Purnell, Henry L. Physic, James Rankine, W. S. Walker, Alfred Wetherill.

The President announced the following Committees :

On Accounts.—Messrs. Jos. E. George, John. R. Purnell, G. W. Bishop.

On Parochial Assessments.—Rev. Mr. Milnor, Messrs. Hardcastle, Wetherill, Gale and Hepbron.

On the Episcopal Fund.—Rev. Mr. Stryker, Messrs. Hayward and Haddaway.

On Canons.—Rev. Dr. Stearns, Rev. R. Wilson, Mr. Carmichael.

On State of the Church.—Rev. Messrs. Wilson, Brooks, Miller, Messrs. Adkins and Henry.

On Admission of New Parishes.—Rev. Dr. Barton, Messrs. Earle and Mace.

The Treasurer of the Convention presented his Report, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Accounts.

The Rev. Dr. Wilson read the report of the Treasurer of the Clergy Relief Fund, which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Accounts.

The Rev. Dr. Wilson read the Annual Report of the Treasurer of the Home for Friendless Children.

The Rev. Mr. Stryker read the Ninth Annual Report of the Home for Friendless Children.

These reports were ordered to be printed in the Journal.

The President read the following communication from the Bishop, and, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, it was ordered to be printed in the Journal, and that the request contained therein be granted :

LONDON, *May 13th*, 1879.

To the Rev. the President of the Standing Committee:

REV. AND DEAR SIR :—I am under much obligation to the Standing Committee for the kind words which they addressed me in my time of broken health, and to them, and to the contributors as well, for a sum of money to assist me in Foreign travel.

Leaving New York on the 10th of December last, with my wife and daughter, we passed through England and France, and found a winter-residence in Rome.

Our return passage to New York was engaged some time since on the Wyoming, her regular sailing-day being the 17th of May. I have learned, too late to alter my plans, that her departure is deferred until the 24th of the month. It is not probable, indeed it is scarcely possible, that I can arrive in time to meet the brethren assembled in Diocesan Convention. This is a grievous disappointment to me. I can but hope that it may be overruled for good, and that Almighty God may send a special blessing upon the deliberations in which I may not share.

I beg, therefore, that you will convey to the members of Convention my most affectionate greetings, and the expression of my regret that I have been hindered from being present with them.

I confirm the nomination of Deans made in the several Convocations.

As I cannot prepare the usual address, I ask permission to insert in the Journal such statements as may be necessary, of official acts and of changes in the Diocese.

I beg leave to add that my health has been greatly benefitted by travel. I am not indeed so thoroughly restored as to resume full duty, and shall have need to ask some indulgence next summer. I have been admonished by physicians that time would be required for the thorough re-establishment of health. But I think I shall be able on my return to meet all urgent demands, and to make up all deficiency of visitation in the autumn.

I remain, very affectionately, your friend and brother,

HENRY C. LAY.

The Report of the Bishop, subsequently presented, is, for the sake of convenience, here inserted.

BISHOP'S REPORT.

Having been providentially hindered from attending the Convention until the last evening of its session, I introduce into its Journal such summary of official acts as is necessary to preserve the accuracy of records.

I deeply grieve that in assembling at Snow Hill, where we had anticipated the genial greeting of its late Rector, the Rev. Charles H. Williamson, M. D., we find him no longer among the living.

In natural abilities and in intellectual culture he occupied a foremost place among us. He was an earnest and eloquent preacher of the Word ; to whom it was a pleasure to listen, and by whom it was a delight to be instructed. His simplicity of character and affectionate disposition endeared him to us all.

I am glad to think that his ministry was especially blessed in its latter years. The improvement in All Hallows' Parish under his administration is evident to all who are conversant with it.

Thus, we have lost one clergyman by death. The Rev. Geo. S. Fitzhugh has resigned the Rectorship of Whitemarsh Parish, and is now without charge.

The Rev. Francis W. Hilliard has been received into the Diocese, and become Rector of Pocomoke Parish.

The Rev. Albert R. Walker has been likewise received, and is Rector of Whitemarsh Parish.

The Rev. Daniel N. Allen has been received, and is Rector of All Hallows' Parish.

The Rev. J. Harry Chesley, Deacon, has been received, and is minister in East New Market and Vienna Parishes.

The whole number of Clergy, being besides the Bishop, thirty-one Priests and three Deacons, is thirty-five.

Confirmation has been administered as follows :

Spring Hill Parish,	. . . . .	25
Worcester Parish,	. . . . .	2
St. Peter's Parish,	. . . . .	1
Trinity Cathedral,	. . . . .	7

In all, thirty-five.

I am indebted to my very dear brother, the Bishop of Delaware, for holding the confirmations in Spring Hill Parish, while I was abroad.

HENRY C. LAY,
Bishop of the Diocese.

SNOW HILL, *June 6th*, 1879.

In addition to the foregoing, I desire to add a few words, calling the attention of those who have sons to educate, to the superior advantages of the school conducted by Mr. Onderdonk, at the College of St. James, near Hagerstown.

Last summer I had an opportunity to visit this institution, and was at pains to make enquiry concerning it. I believe it to be thoroughly good in point of instruction, discipline and religious influence. The site is salubrious, and the domestic arrangements admirable. The terms are, moreover, very moderate. I recommend it with much confidence. The last Board of Trustees

consisted of the Bishops of Maryland, Pittsburg, and Western New York, and Messrs. W. G. Harrison, Samuel G. Wyman and Frederick W. Brune.

Address, MR. ONDERDONK, *College of St. James, Washington Co., Md.*

The Rev. Dr. Stearns presented the following communication from the Diocese of Maryland :

BALTIMORE, *May 30, 1879.*

My Dear Dr. Stearns :

Will you do me the favor to communicate to the Convention of the Diocese of Easton the "Resolution" adopted to-day by the Convention of the Diocese of Maryland, and to make known the names of the persons composing the Committee referred to in the Resolution, both of which you will find on the annexed leaf.

With high regard, faithfully your friend,

E. A. DALRYMPLE.

Resolved, That two Clergymen and two Laymen be appointed a Committee to unite with the Bishop and Assistant Bishop of the Diocese, if it meet their approval, in representing to the Convention of the Daughter Diocese of Easton the desirableness of a joint commemoration of the close of the first One Hundred Years since the primary Convention of the Church in Maryland, Anno Domini 1780. And if the Bishop of Easton, with the Clergy and Laity of his Diocese, concur, to make such arrangements as may be naturally convenient for the celebration proposed, and report the same to the next Convention.

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a Resolution passed unanimously at the Convention of the Diocese of Maryland, held May 30, A. D. 1879, and further I certify that the Rev. George Leeds, D. D., and Rev. J. A. McKenney, D. D., together with Messrs. Elisha J. Hall and Dr. W. P. Young, were appointed the Committee referred to in the Resolution.

E. A. DALRYMPLE,

May 30, 1879.

Sec'y of the Diocesan Convention of Md.

BALTIMORE, *May 31, 1879.*

To the Convention of the Diocese of Easton :

RT. REV. FATHER AND DEAR BRETHREN :—The undersigned, appointed a Committee of Conference under the accompanying Resolution, desire on behalf of the Convention of the Diocese of Maryland respectfully to present the same to the Convention of the Diocese of Easton, and to assure you, beloved Father and Brethren, of the cordial approval of the celebration (proposed,) by the venerable Bishop and Assistant Bishop of the Diocese for which we act.

And should you concur, as we earnestly hope you may, we beg leave to ask for the appointment of a Committee to unite in any preliminary arrangements that may be thought to be necessary, and to secure, if possible, an appropriate and worthy commemoration of the One Hundredth Anniversary

Anniversary Intention of Easton.

... in Maryland, since its Primary Convention in
... 1780.

... are your friends to serve,

GEO. LEEDS,

J. A. MCKENNEY,

ELISHA J. HALL, by G. L.

... Rev. Dr. Stearns, it was

... committee of two Clergymen and two Laymen be ap-
... the Bishop of the Diocese (if it meet his appro-
... with the Committee appointed by the late
... in the subject of a joint commemoration of the
... Hundred Years since the Primary Convention of the
... and to take such action thereon as to them may seem

... appointed as the Committee:

... D. D., Rev. E. F. Dashiell, Messrs. S. S.
... Wm. S. Walker.

... read the report of the Board of Diocesan
... motion, the resolutions appended were made
... Thursday evening after Divine service.

... with the administration of the Missions of the Diocese

... this department of our common work calls for the
... consideration of this Body. Immediate, earnest,
... attention is required. The hour has arrived in the
... only the most energetic effort can avail.

... Treasurer, whose report is presented herewith, dis-
... the Parishes, including a balance from the pre-
... \$1337.09. Six Parishes have received aid, as
... \$250.00; All Saints, Talbot Co., \$200.00;
... Co. \$300.00; St. Luke's, Queen Anne's Co.,
... Co., \$150.00; East New Market Parish,
... amount expended, \$1308.00, leaving a

... contributions of the Parishes were larger by
... decrease may be largely accounted for by the ab-
... invited a special offering in each Parish
... source alone more than \$200.00 have been
... year, under special appeal by a circular
... by a few zealous Laymen. It is
... last twelvemonth, unwonted and urgent
... have been addressed to us, displacing,
... moment. It is true that, up to this date,
... of the Board; but another quarter's

payment will be due on the 1st of July; and three most important stations have been vacant through the whole year. If the earnest endeavor of the Board to fill these vacant posts had been successful, a sad deficiency would have confronted us to-day.

The Board will not weary the Convention with statements, arguments and appeals so often before advanced. It is clearly manifest that the claim of our Diocesan Missions should be a paramount one, taking precedence of all others beyond the bounds of our own Parishes. We entreat the brethren to recognize this claim scrupulously and at any sacrifice. The consequences of inattention or delay must be most disastrous, nay fatal to the progress, if not the very existence, of our Diocese.

Let it be distinctly noted that at least \$2000.00 per annum are required to meet the present appropriations; and that the Treasurer could hardly have paid the stipends for nine months of this year if the stations had all been occupied. Besides these facts the Board are continually pressed with new applications of most inviting promise which they are compelled reluctantly to decline.

In conclusion, the Board propose the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That this Convention assure the Diocesan Missions Board of the hearty and vigorous support of the Diocese.

2. *Resolved*, That the Secretary be requested to call the list of Parishes, and definite pledges be invited from every congregation represented in this body.

THEO. P. BARBER,
JOHN O. BARTON,
LEWIS WALKE,
I. L. ADKINS,
JOS. B. CHAMBERLAINE.

Dr. Adkins moved the following resolutions supplementary to those offered by the Board of Missions, to be a part of the order of the day for Thursday evening:

3. *Resolved*, That the Rectors of the Parishes be requested to bring the subject before their congregations on, at least, two several Sundays prior to the quarterly periods when collections are taken up and envelopes are placed in the pews. in order to impress upon the minds of the people the importance of liberal offerings.

4. *Resolved*, That the Bishop of the Diocese be requested to send out circular letters to earnest laymen, soliciting special contributions of twenty dollars, more or less.

Dr. Adkins, Treasurer of the Diocesan Missions Fund, presented his Report, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Carmichael presented the Report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on the Episcopal Fund.

The Rev. Dr. Stearns, from the Committee on Canons of last Convention, made the following Report :

The Committee on Canons of the last Convention, to whom was referred the portion of the Bishop's Address relating to Provincial Councils and representation in the General Convention, to report to this Convention, beg leave to report that they have been unable to give it the consideration it requires, and therefore offer the following resolution :

Resolved, That the portion of the Bishop's Address of last year, above mentioned, be referred to the Committee on Canons, to report to the next Convention.

Which Resolution was adopted.

Mr. Carmichael offered the following Resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons :

Resolved, That the last proviso to Article III. of the Constitution be amended so that it shall read as follows : *Provided*, That every Parish having more than one officiating minister, who hath been regularly and canonically elected, or having not less than one hundred communicants, shall be entitled to send two delegates, and no more. But before any lay delegate shall take his seat, he shall subscribe, &c.

On motion, the Convention adjourned.

S E C O N D D A Y .

THURSDAY, *June 5*, 1879.

Morning Prayer was said by Rev. Messrs. Greene and Miller.

The President called the Convention to order.

In addition to members present yesterday, Rev. Enoch K. Miller and Mr. Coudon appeared and took their seats in the Convention.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Rev. Dr. Barber offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That a Committee of Reception, consisting of three Clergymen and three Laymen, be appointed to receive our Beloved Father in God on his arrival this evening ; and after Evening Prayer, in open session, to present the greeting of this Body, and express the thankfulness and joy of the Diocese in the return of their Bishop in comparative health to his sacred duties.

The President appointed as the Committee the following gentlemen :

The Rev. Drs. Stearns and Barton, and the Rev. Mr. Walke, Messrs. Carmichael, Hayward and Coudon.

The President, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, was appointed Chairman of the Committee.

The Rev. Dr. Stearns, from the Committee on Canons, reported the following :

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed amendment to the Constitution, beg leave to report the following resolution :

Resolved, That the following amendment to the Third Article of the Constitution of this Diocese, be proposed, and that the same be transmitted by the Secretary to the several Vestries, and, if ratified by the next Convention, be part and parcel of the Constitution, to wit :

Strike out the last proviso in said Article, and insert instead thereof the following :

Provided, That every Parish having more than one officiating minister who hath been regularly and canonically elected, or having not less than one hundred Communicants, shall be entitled to two delegates. But before any lay delegate shall take his seat, he shall subscribe the following declaration :

“I do hereby declare my belief in the Christian religion, and attachment to the Protestant Episcopal Church, and profess myself a member thereof.”

The Rev. Mr. Easter offered as an amendment the following :

Resolved, That the resolution of the Committee on Canons be amended by striking out the clause in the proviso attached thereto, reading, Or having not less than one hundred Communicants.

The amendment was lost by a tie vote of the Clergy, on a vote by orders.

Mr. W. S. Walker then offered the following substitute, which, on being put to the vote, was rejected, viz : “ In the last proviso to Article III., 4th line, after the word Convention, add the words, ‘ but no Parish shall have but one clerical and one lay vote.’ ”

The original resolution being before the house, on motion, the vote being taken by orders, it was indefinitely postponed.

12 M.

The hour having arrived for the election of the Standing Committee and other officers, the Convention proceeded to the election of a Standing Committee. The President appointed the Rev. Messrs. Greene and Roberts, and Messrs. Coudon and Craft, Tellers.

The present Standing Committee was nominated for re-election.

The Tellers having retired to count the ballots, the following nominations were made and unanimously confirmed :

For Treasurer of Convention.—Thomas Hughlett.

Trustees of the Clergy Relief Fund.—Rev. Messrs. Dashiell and Wilson, and Messrs. E. L. F. Hardcastle and John C. Earle, M.D.

Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.—I. L. Adkins, M. D., R. B. Carmichael, H. H. Dashiell, George R. Goldsborough, E. L. F. Hardcastle, Charles Lowndes and William S. Walker.

Board of Diocesan Missions.—The Bishop and Deans *ex-officio*, Messrs. I. L. Adkins, M. D., and Jos. E. M. Chamberlaine, M.D.

Registrar—Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D.

The officers and Board of Managers of the Home of the Friendless Children were nominated and elected. (See Appendix.)

The Tellers of the vote for members of the Standing Committee reported the following as having a majority of the votes cast, viz : Rev. Drs. Barber and Barton, and Rev. Messrs. Dashiell, Wilson and Mitchell, who were declared duly elected.

The following gentlemen were nominated as Managers of the Trust Fund of the Diocese, viz : Rev. E. F. Dashiell, and Messrs. J. F. Bateman and I. L. Adkins, M. D. The same tellers were appointed by the President, and announced the nomination as confirmed.

The Rev. Dr. Stearns offered the following resolution, which was adopted, viz :

SECTION IV.

WHEREAS, Article Six of the Constitution of the Home for Friendless Children of the Eastern Shore of Maryland provides for a Council of Advice,

“with which Council the Board of Managers shall confer in all matters touching legal questions,” and does not provide for the office of “Legal Adviser,” therefore

Resolved, That the Secretary be, and he hereby is instructed, in making up the Journal for publication, to omit the style and title of such office.

The Rev. Mr. Stryker, from the Committee on the Episcopal Fund, submitted the following report :

The Committee on the Episcopal Fund report that they have carefully examined the reports of the Treasurer and of the Trustees of said Fund, and they regret to find that the results expected from the action of the last Convention in reference to the same have not been realized. The Committee deem it unnecessary to offer any speculations as to the causes of this failure. They indulge the hope that in view of the improved financial outlook generally, and the prospect of abundant crops in at least a large portion of the Diocese, the delinquent Parishes will be able to meet their respective assessments, and the arrearages in the original subscriptions will become collectible. The Committee therefore adopt the recommendations of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund and submit the following resolutions :

Resolved, That Rev. William W. Greene and Mr. Wm. R. Martin be appointed by this Convention special collectors to visit the several Parishes in the Diocese as soon as possible, to urge the settlement of the unpaid subscriptions to the Episcopal Fund, and also to procure additional subscriptions to the same ; and the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund is hereby authorized to pay the said collectors their travelling expenses and a commission of five per centum on all such collections and subscriptions. The said collectors are hereby directed to report to the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund by October 1st, 1879.

Resolved, That as soon as the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund shall receive the reports of the said collectors, the said Trustees shall place the accounts of all delinquents, who shall have failed to make settlement, in the hands of proper counsel in each of the counties for collection by legal process at the earliest possible period.

Resolved, That the Parishes in the Diocese of Easton be, and they are hereby assessed to the amount of five hundred dollars, for the Convention year ending June 1880, to make up whatever deficit there may be from the income of the Episcopal Fund to pay the salary of the Bishop; and the Rectors of the several Parishes urged to secure the prompt payment of the several assessments.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JNO. V. STRYKER,
WM. R. HAYWARD,
G. E. HADDAWAY.

Whereupon the Resolutions offered by the Committee were adopted.

Mr. J. F. Bateman moved :

That the Commission heretofore appointed to examine into the corporate powers of the Convention touching gifts and bequests to the Diocese be continued, with instructions to report to the next Convention.

Which motion was adopted.

On motion of Dr. Adkins, it was :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to Dr. Bishop, the President of Worcester R. R., for his courtesy and consideration in placing an extra train of cars for the use of the members, to connect at Berlin with the up trains, thereby saving them from great inconvenience and delay in their return home.

The Rev. Mr. Everett submitted the following Resolutions :

Resolved, That in every church and chapel built or repaired in this Diocese after this date, no altar shall be used but "the Communion Table," as directed by the Communion Office of the Book of Prayer—the office which defines dogma.

Resolved, That this Diocese sympathizes with the Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania in his efforts to suppress the new and unscriptural teachings set forth at St. Clement's Church, Philadelphia.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Easter, the resolutions were laid on the table.

Mr. C. F. Holland submitted the following Resolution, which was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes :

Resolved, That that part of the territory of Spring Hill Parish, Wicomico County, lying within the corporate limits of the town of Salisbury in said County, be separated from Spring Hill Parish and erected into a new Parish to be called "Salisbury Parish."

On motion, the Convention then adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

3 P. M.

The President called the Convention to order.

Rev. Mr. Milnor, from the Committee on Parochial Assessments, submitted the following report :

The Committee on Parochial Assessments submit their Report, as follows :

LIST OF PAROCHIAL ASSESSMENTS.

	Paid.
CECIL COUNTY.	
St. Mary Anne's	\$15 00
North Sassafras	50 00
Trinity, Elkton	20 00
St. James, Port Deposit	12 50
DORCHESTER COUNTY.	
Dorchester Parish	8 00
Great Choptank	30 00
Vienna	5 00
KENT COUNTY.	
Chester	40 00
I. U. Parish	13 00
St. Paul's	61 50
Shrewsbury	20 00
QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT COUNTIES.	
Wye Parish	10 00
St. Luke's	5 00
St. Paul's	40 00
SOMERSET COUNTY.	
Somerset	40 00
SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.	
Pocomoke	18 00
TALBOT COUNTY.	
St. Michael's	40 00
St. Peter's	50 00
Whitemarsh	33 00
Trinity Cathedral	10 00
WICOMICO COUNTY.	
Spring Hill	30 00
WORCESTER COUNTY.	
All Hallows	18 00
Worcester	15 00
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	\$584 00

Signed,

C. E. MILNOR, *Chairman*,
ED. M. HARDCASTLE,
W. H. GALE,
ALFRED WETHERILL,
SEWELL HEPBRON.

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

ASSESSMENTS FOR 1879-80.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. John's Church	\$ 5 00
Amount due on former assessment	5 00
St. Mary's Whitechapel	5 00
Amount due on former assessment	5 00

CECIL COUNTY.

St. Mary Anne's	15 00
St. John's	50 00
St. Peter's	20 00
St. James Port Deposit	12 50

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

Dorchester Parish	8 00
Amount due on former assessment	8 00

QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT COUNTY.

St. John's Church, Kent Island	15 00
Amount due on former assessments	53 75
St. Luke's	5 00
St. Paul's	40 00
West Parish	10 00

SOMERSET COUNTY.

St. John's	10 00
Amount due on former assessments	45 50
St. James	40 00

SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

St. James	18 00
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TALBOT COUNTY.

St. Michael's	40 00
St. John's	50 00
St. Peter's	25 00
St. James	55 00
Amount due on former assessments	8 00
St. John's	23 50
St. Peter's	30 00
St. James	5 00
St. John's	10 00

KENT COUNTY.

St. John's	40 00
St. Peter's	10 00
St. James	20 00
St. John's	20 00
St. Peter's	20 00
St. James	20 00

WICOMICO COUNTY.

Spring Hill..... 30 60

WORCESTER COUNTY.

All Hallows 18 00

Amount due on former assessments 38 25

Worcester..... 15 00

Signed,

C. E. MILNOR, *Chairman*,
ED. M. HARDCASTLE,
WM. H. GALE,
ALFRED WETHERILL,
SEWELL HEPBRON.

Whereupon it was

Resolved, That the assessment proposed by the Committee is hereby levied upon the several parishes.

Rev. Dr. Barton, from the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, submitted the following Report :

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, to whom was referred the resolution of Mr. Holland, asking that "that part of the territory of Spring Hill Parish, Wicomico County, lying within the corporate limits of the town of Salisbury in said County, be separated from Spring Hill Parish, and erected into a new Parish," beg leave to report back the said resolution to the Convention, that it may, after hearing the facts from the representative of the Parish, "judge of the necessity and expediency of such separation," and to take such action thereon as may seem expedient.

JOHN O. BARTON,
RICHARD T. EARLE,
W. W. MACE.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, the request contained in the resolution was granted, and the resolution was recommitted to the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, with instructions to prepare an act.

The Rev. Mr. Wilson, from the Committee on the State of the Church, submitted the following Report :

The Committee on the State of the Church beg leave to offer the following Report: They have received Vestry Reports from 21 Parishes, but Parochial Reports from only 19, against 28 last year; several of the most important Parishes having failed to report. Under these circumstances, and in the absence of the usual Address of the Bishop, we must draw our inferences from a comparison of the most important statistics reported with those of the same 19 Parishes last year. The result is very cheering as to apparent growth. Thus we have 283 Baptisms against 134, and it is evident, from the

of Easton.

the result of an active missionary
was reported, while last year there
the Bishop's absence has prevented
and estimating the number which
the report of last year viz., 89, we
of growth is very encouraging.
different significance. Last year but
appears to their Rectors. This year
we report no regular stipend prom-
we shall rectify this great wrong. Only
\$, while seven are offered \$500 or
salaries which are unpaid. How much
work, if encouraged by a thoughtful
the part of their congregations! We
Churches and two Rectories are out of
in the important matter of insur-
to celebrate the Holy Communion
reporting weekly communions, and a
than once a fortnight. This can be
life most encouraging for the future

R. WILSON,
J. H. B. BROOKS,
E. K. MILLER,
L. L. ADKINS,
D. M. HENRY, JR.

Committee on Accounts. submitted the

Accounts have examined the reports sub-
the Convention has received during the
and at last report \$12.05, making a total
used by him during the past year as
report was \$479.25, leaving in hands of

Treasurer of the Clergy Relief Fund.
from several Parishes \$159.84, that
dividend on Masonic Hall stock \$24.00.
report, makes a total equal to \$680.05

the Diocesan Missions Board, we find
\$1,171.52, that he had balance in hand
\$1,337.02. He has expended during
his hands \$29.00

JOSEPH E. GEORGE, *Chairman*,
JOHN R. PURNELL,
GEO. W. BISHOP.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Wilson, the Committee on Measures Supplementary to the Clergy Relief Fund, not being prepared to report, was continued, with permission to report at the next Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Miller submitted the following resolution, which, on motion, was adopted :

Resolved, That the Rectors, or Registrars, in making their annual reports, be requested to state the means by which their Churches are sustained, and also the number of free sittings in each church and chapel.

The Rev. Dr. Barton, from the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, reported as follows:

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, to whom it was referred to prepare an act incorporating a new Parish within the limits of Spring Hill Parish, report the following :

WHEREAS, A petition has been presented to this Convention by the Rector and Vestry of Spring Hill Parish, Wicomico County, asking this Convention to erect and constitute a new Parish to be called Salisbury Parish, to contain all that portion of said Parish situate within the corporate limits of the town of Salisbury; therefore,

Be it enacted by the Diocesan Convention of the Diocese of Easton, That a new Parish be and is hereby laid out within the limits aforesaid under the name of Salisbury Parish.

Which preamble and resolution were adopted.

The Rev. Mr. Everett submitted the following resolution :

Resolved, That it is hurtful to the Church and to the cause of religion generally, for a Communicant to sell alcoholic liquors as a beverage, either at wholesale or retail.

The President called the Rev. Mr. Wilson to the Chair.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hilliard, the resolution submitted by the Rev. Mr. Everett was postponed for consideration at the next Convention.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

7.30 P. M.

Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. Beaven and Barton, the Bishop being present in the Chancel. Divine Service being concluded, the Committee of Reception appointed at the Morning Session assembled in front of the Chancel. The Rev. Dr. Barber, Chairman of the Committee, then delivered an address, expressing the thankfulness and joy of the Convention in again welcoming their beloved Diocesan to the Diocese in comparative health, and able to assume his sacred duties. The Bishop responded in an affectionate address. At the close of his remarks, the Convention united with the Bishop in the Prayer of Thanksgiving for his safe return.

The Convention was then called to order by the President.

On motion by Mr. Walker, it was

Resolved, That the sum of ten dollars be paid the Sexton of All Hallows' Church, Snow Hill, for his services during the session of this Convention. Also

Resolved, That five hundred copies of the Journal be printed. Also

Resolved, That the hearty acknowledgments of this Convention are due to the Rector and Vestry of All Hallows' Parish for their kind reception of the members and the admirable arrangements for their convenience.

Resolved, That the Convention gratefully recognize the warm hospitality of the members of the Parish and the citizens of Snow Hill.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Mitchell, it was,

Resolved, That the Diocesan Convention meet next year in St. Paul's Church, Centreville.

The Convention then proceeded with the order of the day, the Report of the Board of Diocesan Missions.

The several resolutions offered by the Board, and the supplementary resolutions of Dr. Adkins, were taken up and adopted.

In accordance with the second resolution, the list of Parishes was called by the Secretary, and definite pledges given by the respective Rectors and Delegates of the Parishes represented, as follows :

North Elk	\$ 60 00
Trinity Parish	75 00
St. James'	35 00
Great Choptank	140 00
Dorchester	20 00
Vienna	6 00
Chester	110 00
St. Luke's, Q. A.	40 00
St. Paul's, Q. A.	125 00
Wye	33 00
Somerset	50 00
Pocomoke	25 00
St. Michael's	100 00
All Saints	50 00
St. Peter's	228 00
Whitemarsh	60 00
Trinity Cathedral	50 00
All Hallows	40 00
Worcester	40 00
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	\$1292 00

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, it was,

Resolved. That after the reading of the Minutes and usual devotions, the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

The Minutes were thereupon read and approved, and after prayer and benediction by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

HENRY C. LAY,
President ex-officio.

JAMES A. MITCHELL,
Secretary.

WM. S. WALKER,
Assistant Secretary.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. John's Parish.

Rev. H. Beaven and Charles C. Smith, Wardens.

Worshipful Members: T. P. S. Reynolds, Dr. G. W. Goldsborough, J. P. Manlove,
M. J. Wooters, Wm. C. Satterfield, Charles R. Wooters,

Marriages 6; Burials 13; Catechisings 18; Communion number 54.

Teachers 6; Scholars 50; Families 26; Individuals 180;
Receipts from all sources \$247.04; Parochial Expendi-
ture: Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$16.00; Alms and
Benevolence to the Parish \$6.00; Treasurer of the Convention \$5.00;
Other objects, viz: Yellow Fever Sufferers \$6.00; Total amount given in the Parish

GEO. F. BEAVEN, *Rector.*

CECIL COUNTY.

St. Ann's or North Elk Parish.

Wardens: Chamberlain and Samuel W. Day, Wardens.

Worshipful Members: John N. Clendon, John Mauldin, Geo. P. Whitaker, Sam-
uel H. Simcoe, Frank W. Jones, Elisha Harris,

Marriages 6; Burials 17; Catechisings 52; Holy Communion: Private 4; Public 27-31; Communicants, number 81.

Teachers 6; Scholars 80; Parish School Teachers 1; Families 60; Individuals 300; Sitzings 350. Money Receipts

\$1560.07; Parochial Expenditures \$800.00; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$450.00; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$107.96; Treasurer of the Convention \$15.00; Episcopal Fund \$123.40; Home of the Friendless \$8.90; Diocesan Missions \$59.42; Domestic Missions \$6.56; Other objects, viz: Yellow Fever Sufferers \$20.96; Incidental Expenses \$67.87; Insurance and Taxes \$71.17; Total amount given in the Parish \$1731.24.

ENOCH K. MILLER, *Rector.*

St. James' Church.

Henry L. Physick and Washington W. Hopkins, Wardens.

H. L. Physick, W. W. Hopkins, R. E. McClenahan, R. C. Hopkins, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 2; Burials 4; Catechisings 52; Holy Communion administered 22; Communicants, removed 5; died 1; present number 53 actual; 7 nominal=60.

Sunday School Teachers 9; Scholars 75; Families 35; Individuals 175; Sitzings 200. Money Receipts from all sources \$850.43; Parochial Expenditures \$648.55; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$22.60; Paid to the Treasurer of the Convention \$12.50; Treasurer of Home of the Friendless \$6.57; Diocesan Missions \$32.52; Domestic Missions \$2.56; Foreign Missions \$2.56; Clergy Relief \$5.00; Other objects, viz: Bishop Lay for Yellow Fever Sufferers \$9.60; Bishop Lay's expenses abroad \$10.00; Total amount given in the Parish \$815.46.

The strength of the parish has been considerably impaired during the year by removals and deaths. Business has not improved, and the ability of the people to give has diminished. The heirs of Jos. B. Pugh have generously released to the congregation \$800 of the debt due his estate. Other parties have subscribed enough to reduce the indebtedness of the parish to \$1000. But these subscriptions are mostly conditioned upon the raising of the whole amount. The baptisms have been few, because I have steadily refused to administer the sacrament in private except in case of necessity, and parents are slow in bringing their children to be baptised publicly, notwithstanding frequent exhortations to do so, and opportunities offered. There are persons looking forward to confirmation as soon as the Bishop shall pay us a visit. Double daily service and weekly Communion were maintained during Lent, with good attendance. A full vestry was elected Easter Monday, but all except those named either declined to serve or have not yet accepted, and it is difficult to fill the vacancies with legally qualified persons.

GEORGE W. EASTER, *Rector.*

North Sassafra's Parish.

J. C. Crookshank and D. P. Davis, Wardens.

William Knight, B. B. Price, S. E. Wills, E. S. Jones, Geo. Biddle, D. P. Davis, William Ward, Henry Black, Vestrymen.

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

KENT COUNTY.

Chester Parish.

N. G. Westcott and T. S. Wickes, Wardens.

G. B. Westcott, W. N. E. Wickes, J. A. Wickes, J. L. Stam, G. W. T. Perkins, J. A. Pearce, W. H. Meeteer, W. S. Walker, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 1 ; Infant 10=11 ; Marriages 1 ; Burials 7 ; Catechisings monthly ; Holy Communion administered monthly and on festivals ; Communicants, removed 7 ; died 3 ; present number 70.

Sunday School Teachers 12 ; Scholars 78 ; Families 43 ; Individuals 130 ; Sitzings 341. Money receipts from all sources \$1,184.06 ; Parochial Expenditures \$1,059.06 ; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$190.00 ; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$93.76 ; Treasurer of the Convention \$40.00 ; Episcopal Fund \$35.00 ; Home of the Friendless \$17.68 ; Diocesan Missions \$90.13 ; Domestic Missions \$6.22 ; Foreign Missions \$2.04 ; Clergy Relief \$17.76 ; Total amount given in the Parish \$1551.65

S. C. ROBERTS, *Rector.*

I. U. Parish.

Albert Perkins and William Smith, Wardens.

Dr. F. Worrell, Joseph Hossenger, S. J. Roseberry, E. W. Hepbron, S. Beck, Luther Handy, Wm. Thompson, Wingfield Dulaney, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 6 ; Marriages 2 ; Burials 1 ; Holy Communion administered 6 ; Communicants, added 2 ; present number 37.

Families 25 ; Individuals 125 ; Sitzings 200. Episcopal Fund \$8.50 ; Foreign Missions \$6.00 ; Miscellaneous \$1.00 ; Total amount given in the Parish \$15.50.

S. S. HEPBRON, *Rector.*

North Kent Parish.

D. C. Blackiston and L. M. Bean, Wardens.

C. H. B. Massey, Stephen Boyer, J. J. Spear, Wm. Cacy, Sam'l. Cacy, D. C. Blackiston, L. M. Bean, C. S. Hurlock, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 6 ; Communicants, added 4 ; present number 48 ; Burials 2.

Sunday School Teachers 6 ; Scholars 48 ; Holy Communion 1st and 3d Sundays in each month and High Festivals ; Contributions \$965.00, all spent in the Parish except \$30.00 for Episcopal Fund, \$20.00 for Convention Fund, \$20.00 for Yellow Fever Sufferers.

Massey's.

J. N. WATTSON, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Parish.

Jno. A. Schwearer, Warden.

Parochial Reports.

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Josias Ringgold, Wm. I. Rasin, T. A. Hulme, James Rankin, Geo. Beck, Stevenson Constable, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 27; Marriages 6; Burials 13; Catechisings monthly in summer; Holy Communion administered monthly; Communicants, removed 4; died 2; present number 62.

Sunday School Teachers 2; Scholars 50; Families 60; Individuals 300; Sitzings 250. Parochial Expenditures \$302.57; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$57.00; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$55.00; Treasurer of the Convention \$61.50; Home of the Friendless \$5.00; Foreign Missions \$2.00; Clergy Relief \$5.00; Other objects, viz: defraying Bishop's expenses to Europe \$17.50; Total amount given in the Parish \$504.07.

S. S. HEPBRON, *Rector.*

Shrewsbury Parish.

Jno. C. Sutton and G. W. Price, Wardens.

Jas. W. Hurtt, N. W. Comegys, J. M. Armstrong, D. J. Nowland, Jno. R. Gill, Henry Parr, G. W. Jacobi, Jno. Ireland.

Baptisms, Infant 16; Marriages 4; Burials 6; Catechisings monthly; Holy Communion administered 30; Communicants, added 10; removed 5; died 2; present number 82.

Sunday School Teachers 4; Scholars 20; Families 65; Individuals 250; Sitzings 320. Parochial Expenditures \$3,283.19; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$85.00; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$10.77; Treasurer of the Convention \$20.00; Episcopal Fund \$19.00; Home of the Friendless \$25.00; Diocesan Missions \$50.00; Domestic Missions \$5.00; Foreign Missions \$5.00; Clergy Relief \$15.00; Other objects, viz: privately bestowed within the knowledge of the Rector \$90.00; Sent South during Yellow Fever \$23.50; Miscellaneous \$35.00.

The proposed repairs and improvements of the Parish Church mentioned in the last report have been completed. Old Shrewsbury presents now a new and attractive appearance. The Church has been rebuilt almost at a cost of \$2200 including every outlay. It is entirely paid for. The furniture is all new, handsome, and of the best quality. Each piece is a gift from some member of the congregation. A fine toned bell of over 600 pounds weight was presented by the young men of the congregation. A pipe organ of fine tone and quality was the gift of the congregation generally. The children's mites purchased the handsome chancel window, which is a picture of the Good Shepherd. The Church is thoroughly fitted up for night service with attractive lamps and chandelier. The whole work from beginning to end has been a work of love, and has been carried on without a break or jar in our harmonious relations. A liberal, kind and forbearing spirit has characterized the undertaking. One thing we still desire and seek after: it is the Divine gift of more spiritual life and devotion.

The attendance on all the services is regular and full. Several persons have been added to the Communion. A Bible class was assembled at the

Rectory every Tuesday night during the winter and early spring, which was well attended by the younger members of the congregation. The regular services have been three times on each Sunday and twice during the week. The Lent season was fuller. Both Churches and the furniture of each and the Rectory are fully insured.

JNO. MARTIN, *Rector.*

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

Christ Church Parish.

Wm. P. Tanner and E. S. Skinner, Wardens.

E. C. Legg, Chas. E. Tolson, Wm. B. Goodhand, Wm. Denny, Wm. P. Tanner, E. S. Skinner, J. H. Price, Elfred Price, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 3; Confirmations, no visitation; Burials 5; Catechisings occasional; Holy Communion administered monthly and on Major Festivals; Communicants, added 1; present number 21.

Sunday School Teachers 4; Scholars 31; Families 10; Individuals 60. Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$85.00; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$20.00; Domestic Missions \$1.50; Total amount given in the Parish \$106.50.

P. D. THOMPSON, *Rector.*

St. Luke's Parish.

R. E. C. Downes and Wm. D. Gould, Wardens.

W. E. R. Faithful, Wm. Gould, W. H. Newnam, E. S. Valliant, James Brown, Jos. E. George, A. J. Gadd, Dr. G. W. Parvis, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 2; Marriages 6; Burials 6; Catechisings, as a rule, weekly at parish church, and monthly at the chapel; Holy Communion administered 26; Communicants, added 5; removed 1; present number 68.

Sunday School Teachers at Parish Church and the Chapel 10; Scholars at Parish Church and the Chapel 85; Families 46; Individuals 195; Sittings 60. Money Receipts \$800.77; Parochial Expenditures \$465.06; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$108.94; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$20.00; Treasurer of the Convention \$5.00; Home of the Friendless \$2.75; Domestic Missions \$34.41; Domestic Missions \$2.00; Sufferers by Yellow Fever \$100.00; For the new chapel at Sudlersville \$100.00; Other objects, 100 lbs. Communion Linen at the Chapel by the ladies of St. Luke's congregation \$15.89; by Sunday Schools not included in above \$15.89; Miscellaneous \$15.89. Total amount given in the Parish \$799.45.

The new chapel at Sudlersville is not yet finished. The work is pushed as far as money can be raised. \$664 97 has been given and expended in the year just reported last year.

W. G. DAVENPORT, *Rector.*

Parochial Reports.

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St. Paul's Parish.

James T. Earle and Richard T. Earle, Wardens.

R. T. Earle, Wm. McKenney, R. Goldsborough, E. H. Brown, Samuel T. Earle, M. D., R. Hollyday, John B. Brown, Wm. H. Warren, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 15; Marriages 3; Burials 13; Catechisings monthly; Holy Communion administered 20; Communicants, added 7; removed 5; died 3; present number 124.

Sunday School Teachers 11; Scholars 65; Parish School Teachers 2; Scholars 26; Families 61; Individuals 350; Sitzings 350. Parochial Expenditures \$1069.00; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$400.00; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$83.76; Treasurer of the Convention \$40.00; Episcopal Fund \$33.00; Home of the Friendless \$38.00; Diocesan Missions \$85.00; Clergy Relief \$15.50; Other objects, viz: Charities without Parish \$35.00; for Yellow Fever Sufferers \$61.10; Sunday School Purposes \$44.61; Miscellaneous \$178.50; Total amount given in the Parish \$2083.47.

The improvements during the year are the enlargement of the Sunday School and Parish school-room at a cost of over \$300.00; an iron fence in front of the churchyard, and the painting of the Rectory. The two last are due to the efforts of the officers and ladies of the Church Aid Society.

JAMES A. MITCHELL, *Rector.*

QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT COUNTIES.

Wye Parish.

W. R. Davidson and J. P. Davidson, Wardens.

R. B. Carmichael, Sr., Chas. H. Tilghman, Geo. Davidson, Benj. Anthony, R. B. Carmichael, Jr., E. T. Paca, Chas. Cockey, J. P. Davidson, Vestrymen.

Baptisms 34; Marriages 9; Burials 10; Catechisings 3; Holy Communion administered (private 5) 26; Communicants, added 10; removed 7; died 3; present number 63.

Number of Families 43; Number of Individuals 170; Sitzings 315. Money receipts from all sources \$740.40; Parochial Expenditures \$636.89; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$162.00; Treasurer of the Convention \$10.00; Episcopal Fund \$5.00; Home of the Friendless \$5.00; Diocesan Missions \$38.80; Domestic Missions \$2.00; Foreign Missions \$1.75; Other objects, viz: Yellow Fever Sufferers \$25.66; Miscellaneous \$6.90. The account does not balance.

W. B. EVERETT, *Rector.*

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Somerset Parish.

Sam Woulford and Levin H. Curtis, Wardens; C. C. Waller and Thomas F. Fitzgerald, Assistant Wardens.

William F. Brittingham, William H. Gale, William Stewart, I. S. Atkinson, Lewis Woulford, H. H. Dashiell, Robert J. Waller, Vestrymen.

~~Report~~ Adult 2; Infant 24=26; Marriages 4; Burials 8; Catechisings ~~and Sunday~~ Holy Communion administered 30 times; Communicants, ~~added 1; removed 1; died 3~~; present number 190.

~~Sunday School~~ Teachers in three schools 21; Scholars in three schools ~~and in~~ Families 100; Individuals 450; Sittings 500. Parochial Expenditure \$101.25; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$101.25; Alms and ~~other~~ to the Parish \$9.50; Treasurer of the Convention \$40.00; ~~and to the~~ ~~and to the~~ (clothing \$10.01) \$22.05; Diocesan Missions \$46.00; ~~and to the~~ ~~and to the~~ \$2.50; Yellow Fever Sufferers \$75.00; Clergy Relief ~~and to the~~ ~~and to the~~ of the Rector \$130.00; A new window in church \$130.00; ~~and to the~~ ~~and to the~~ \$3.00; Assessment for Bishop's salary \$34.00; For ~~and to the~~ ~~and to the~~ other objects \$90.00: Total amount \$1602.86.

JOHN O. BARTON, *Rector.*

AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

Pocomoke Parish.

J. O. Truitt and Geo. T. Truitt, Wardens.

~~and to the~~ ~~and to the~~ Jas. W. Dougherty, Bennett Mason, L. P. ~~and to the~~ ~~and to the~~ J. O. Truitt, Geo. T. Truitt, Vestrymen.

~~and to the~~ ~~and to the~~ Marriages 4; Burials 5; Catechisings 17; Holy Com-
~~and to the~~ ~~and to the~~ Communicants, added 5; removed 1; died 2;

~~and to the~~ ~~and to the~~ Scholars 70; Families 75; Individuals 300;
~~and to the~~ ~~and to the~~ Expenditures \$586.46; Parochial Improvements and
~~and to the~~ ~~and to the~~ of the Episcopal Fund \$15.00; Home of the
~~and to the~~ ~~and to the~~ Missions \$11.31; Domestic Missions \$3.36;
~~and to the~~ ~~and to the~~ Relief \$2.25: Total amount given in the

~~and to the~~ ~~and to the~~ open his duties as Rector of Pocomoke Parish
~~and to the~~ ~~and to the~~ every day new traces of the profound impres-
~~and to the~~ ~~and to the~~ work and the character of his revered
~~and to the~~ ~~and to the~~ by the affectionate kindness of his
~~and to the~~ ~~and to the~~ and many others at the public

Dr. Crosdale's bequest to the parish has been applied according to his directions to the purchase of a Rectory, with three acres of land. A horse and carriage have been bought for the Rector's use ; and a pipe organ has been placed in St. Stephen's Chapel.

FRANCIS W. HILLIARD, *Rector.*

TALBOT COUNTY.

St. Michael's Parish.

George R. Goldsborough and Daniel M. Feddeman, Wardens.

William Goldsborough, John C. Adams, George E. Haddaway, Charles Lowndes, George Tyler, James Covey, George R. Goldsborough, William Willis, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 24 ; Marriages 1 ; Burials 5 ; Catechisings 12 ; Holy Communion administered 40 ; Communicants, added 3 ; died 1 ; present number 134.

Sunday School Teachers 8 ; Scholars 50 ; Families 60 ; Individuals 400 ; Sitzings 1000. Parochial Expenditures \$1000.00 ; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$34.00 ; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$40.00 ; Treasurer of the Convention \$40.00 ; Episcopal Fund \$34.00 ; Home of the Friendless \$77.00 ; Diocesan Missions \$80.00 ; Foreign Missions \$12.00 ; Clergy Relief \$11.00 ; Other objects, viz : New Church \$910.00 ; Yellow Fever Sufferers \$229.00 ; Standing Committee Fund \$100 00 ; Miscellaneous \$25.00 ; Total amount given in the Parish \$2592.00.

The new church is now complete, and we hope to have it furnished in a few weeks ; it is a substantial building, and a parish church worthy of one of the oldest parishes in Maryland. It has been built at the cost of about thirteen thousand dollars, and we hope to present it to the Bishop, free of debt, to be consecrated some time during the year.

ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, *Rector.*

St. Peter's Parish.

Isaac L. Adkins and Wm. H. Smith, Wardens.

I. L. Adkins, Samuel Hambleton, R. J. Trippe, Wm. M. Hollyday, J. F. Kersey, M. T. Goldsborough, John C. Earle, W. H. Smith, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 1 ; Infant 23=24 ; Confirmations 1 ; Marriages 5 ; Burials 13 ; Catechisings occasional ; Holy Communion administered (4 private) 26 ; Communicants, added 13 ; removed 9 ; died 2 ; present number 228.

Sunday School Teachers 12 ; Scholars 100 ; Families 78 ; Individuals 500 ; Sitzings 450. Parochial Expenditures \$1837.89 ; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$114.38 ; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$150.00 ; Treasurer of the Convention \$97.00 ; Episcopal Fund \$282.70 ; Home of the Friendless \$115.00 ; Diocesan Missions \$215.60 ; Domestic Missions \$55.40 ;

Foreign Missions \$31.01 ; Clergy Relief \$30.50 ; Other objects, viz: Church debt \$409.25 ; Yellow Fever Sufferers \$47.00 ; Miscellaneous \$1136.00 ; Total amount given in the Parish \$4833.22.

Of the 24 baptisms reported only 4 have been in the congregation proper. The rest were all mission-work, chiefly among the poor of Easton, 6 of them being colored. The Parish is in good condition and in a high state of organization. A Relief Association, fully equipped with visiting and collecting committees and regular physician, is doing good work among the poor, relieving as well their spiritual as their temporal wants.

ROBERT WILSON, *Rector.*

Whitemarsh Parish.

John W. Martin and Dr. Alexander Matthews, Wardens.

Robert Bartlett, William Kirby, John Warner, Alexander Barnett, James T. Bartlett, James H. Benson, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 10 ; Burials 6 ; Catechisings every Sunday ; Holy Communion administered 18 ; Communicants, added 3 ; died 3 ; (last reported 121) present number 121.

Sunday School Teachers 11 ; Scholars 51 ; Families 52 ; Individuals 240 ; Sitzings 350. Parochial Expenditures \$672.95 ; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$565.61 ; Communion Alms \$36.00 ; Treasurer of the Convention \$33.00 ; Episcopal Fund \$21.00 ; Home of the Friendless \$31.84 ; Diocesan Missions \$28.05 ; Domestic Missions, value of box sent to Indians \$60.00 ; Foreign Missions \$40.00 ; Clergy Relief \$8.18 ; Other objects, viz: Yellow Fever Sufferers \$35.00 ; Miscellaneous within the knowledge of the Rector \$230.00 ; Total amount given in the Parish \$1761.58.

I became Rector on the second Sunday in last August, so that the above report covers only nine months and a half.

The people in Oxford are now building a frame chapel, of which the corner stone was laid with appropriate services on the 30th of last April. Full report will be made next year. The people of the Parish at large furnished the Rectory very comfortably, and have also provided carriage, horse and complete outfit. In other ways, as well, they have been exceedingly kind to the Rector and his family.

ALBERT R. WALKER, *Rector.*

All Saints Church.

Baptisms, Infant 4 ; Marriages 1 ; Burials 1 ; Catechisings 10 ; Holy Communion administered 16 ; Communicants, added 2 ; present number 43.

Sunday School Teachers 5 ; Scholars 25 ; Families 25 ; Individuals 105 ; Sitzings 250. Parochial Expenditures \$200.00 ; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$12.00 ; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$26.72 ; Home of the Friendless \$41.00 ; Diocesan Missions \$43.50 ; Offerings specially designated \$221.72 ; Total amount given in the Parish \$544.94.

THE BISHOP, *Rector.*

J. V. STRYKER, }
W. Y. BEAVEN, } *Assist. Ministers.*

Trinity Cathedral.

Baptisms, Adult 1; Infant 10=11; Confirmations 7; Burials 3; Catechisings weekly; Holy Communion administered 26; Communicants, present number 46.

Sunday School Teachers 13; Scholars 125; Families 24; Individuals 105; Sittings 200. Money Receipts \$977.92; Parochial Expenditures \$477.92; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$500.00; Communion Alms and Charities within the Parish \$30.77; Treasurer of the Convention \$10.00; Episcopal Fund \$6.50; Home of the Friendless \$2.64; Diocesan Missions \$29.14; Foreign Missions \$4.00; Yellow Fever Sufferers \$11.01; Bishop's European Trip \$21.00.

RT. REV. H. C. LAY, D. D., *Rector.*
J. V. STRYKER, *Assist. Minister.*
W. Y. BEAVEN, *2nd Assist. Minister.*

W I C O M I C O C O U N T Y.

Spring Hill Parish.

John F. Collier and George Hitch, Wardens; J. A. Parsons, J. S. Adams, Dr. W. H. H. Dashiell, Assistant Wardens.

John White, L. P. Humphreys, Wm. Waller, Geo. Waller, V. F. Collier, G. W. White, Randolph Humphreys, W. Howard, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 9; Infant 36=45; Confirmations 25; Marriages 5; Burials 19; Catechisings 40; Holy Communion administered 53; Communicants, added 25; removed 6; died 8; present number 215.

Sunday School Teachers 24; Scholars 160; Families 130; Individuals 570; Sittings 600. Parochial Expenditures \$1,056.10; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$130.00; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$73.00; Treasurer of the Convention \$30.00; Episcopal Fund \$25.00; Home of the Friendless \$10.00; Diocesan Missions \$19.20; Foreign Missions \$117.00; Clergy Relief \$10.00; Other objects, viz: Sunday School \$58.00; Miscellaneous \$185.75; total amount given in the Parish \$1,714.05.

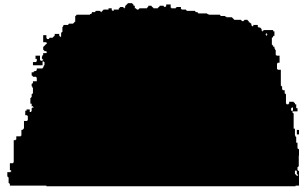
J. H. B. BROOKS, *Rector.*

W O R C E S T E R C O U N T Y.

All Hallows' Parish.

John J. Collins and James D. Hack, Wardens.

Dr. G. W. Bishop, James S. Jones, James A. Dashiell, Thos. D. Purnell, Geo. M. Upshur, John J. Collins, John L. Robins and S. H. Townsend, Vestrymen.



Baptisms, Infant 5 ; Burials 2 ; Catechisings weekly since Jan'y 1879 ; Holy Communion administered 9 times ; Communicants, present number 65.

Sunday School Teachers 8 ; Scholars 40 ; Individuals 150. Parochial Expenditures \$439.31 ; Treasurer of the Convention \$18.00 ; Diocesan Missions \$5.60 ; Domestic and Foreign Missions \$18.40 ; Total \$481.31.

The above report runs from June 1878 (last Convention) to June 1879.

D. N. ALLEN, *Rector*.

Worcester Parish.

John R. Purnell and Josiah M. Marshall, Wardens.

H. C. Hudson, John F. Jones, John T. Hammond, John S. Purnell, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 15 ; Marriages 1 ; Burials 4 ; Catechisings 12 ; Holy Communion administered 22 ; Communicants, added 4 ; died 1 ; present number 63.

Sunday School Teachers 4 ; Scholars 25 ; Families 38 ; Individuals 120 ; Sitzings 350. Parochial Expenditures \$831.21 ; Treasurer of the Convention \$15.00 ; Episcopal Fund \$12.50 ; Home of the Friendless \$30.35 ; Diocesan Missions \$33.19 ; Domestic Missions \$13.78 ; Foreign Missions \$5.75 ; Clergy Relief \$3.77 ; Other objects, viz : Bishop's expenses abroad \$22.90 ; Yellow Fever Fund \$20.00 ; Convocation Expenses \$12.07 ; Clothing child at Home of the Friendless \$5.00 ; Total amount given in the Parish \$1,048.01.

A steeple surmounted by a cross adds much to the outside appearance of St. Paul's. This improvement was brought about by the lightning in the summer. Improvements have been made in the churchyard, and others are in contemplation. The Vestry and others deserve all commendation for their promptness in repairing damage done by the summer storm. We work on, hoping for better things.

C. E. MILNOR, *Rector*.

CLERICAL REPORTS.

EASTON, *June* 2, 1879.

To the Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, D. D., L L. D.

On the 30th of last June I resigned the charge of St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish, being compelled thereto by the state of my health. Since then I have been residing in Easton, assisting my brethren in the service and in the Holy Communion, and doing such other work for the Church as my health would allow.

E. J. STEARNS.

TABLE I.—Summary of Parochial Reports (Statistics of Persons).

PARISH OR CHURCH.	BAPTISMS.		Confirmations	COMMUNICANTS.			Families.	Individuals.	Marriages.	Funerals.	PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.		Sittings.
	Adult.	Infant.		Added.	Re-moved.	Died.	Present Number.				Teachers.	School-ars.	Teachers.	School-ars.	
St. John's .....	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	54	180	6	13	.....	.....	6	50	300
St. Mary's Whitech'l.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*13	*80	.....	.....	.....	.....	*5	*39	*100
St. Augustine .....	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*100
North Elk.....	.....	2	.....	.....	5	1	81	300	6	17	1	20	6	80	350
St. James .....	.....	18	.....	.....	5	.....	60	175	.....	4	.....	.....	9	75	300
N. Nassaufrs	1	11	.....	.....	1	.....	47	100	5	5	.....	.....	10	60	200
Trinity	2	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	79	300	8	7	.....	.....	4	50	250
Dorchester.....	.....	8	.....	8	.....	.....	18	120	.....	8	.....	.....	6	45	360
E. N. Market .....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	37	85	.....	1	.....	.....	6	20	100
Great Choptank.....	.....	16	.....	11	5	8	176	470	4	13	.....	.....	20	115	490
Vienna .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*16	*86	.....	.....	.....	.....	*5	*13	*100
Chester	1	10	.....	.....	7	8	70	180	1	7	.....	.....	12	78	341
I. U.....	.....	6	.....	2	.....	.....	37	125	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	200
North Kent .....	.....	6	.....	4	.....	.....	48	*150	.....	2	.....	.....	6	48	*300
St. Paul's, Kent.....	.....	27	.....	.....	4	2	63	300	6	13	.....	.....	2	50	250
Shrewsbury .....	.....	16	.....	10	5	2	83	250	4	6	.....	.....	4	20	320
Christ, Kent Island ..	.....	3	.....	1	.....	.....	21	60	.....	5	.....	.....	4	31	.....
St. Luke's, Q. A.....	.....	2	.....	5	1	.....	68	195	6	6	.....	.....	10	85	325
St. Paul's, Q. A.....	.....	15	.....	7	5	3	124	350	8	13	2	26	11	65	350
Wye.....	.....	34	.....	10	7	8	63	170	9	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	315
Somer-set	2	24	.....	3	6	3	190	450	4	8	.....	.....	21	150	500
Coventry .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*75	*175	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*750
Wilcomco .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*150
Pocomoke .....	.....	17	.....	5	1	2	90	300	4	5	.....	.....	.....	70	400
St. Michael's. ....	.....	24	.....	8	.....	1	134	400	1	5	.....	.....	8	50	1000
St. Peter's	1	23	1	13	9	2	228	500	5	13	.....	.....	12	100	450
Holy Trinity .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Whitemarsh .....	.....	10	.....	3	.....	3	121	240	.....	6	.....	.....	11	51	350
All Saints .....	.....	4	.....	2	.....	.....	43	105	1	1	.....	.....	5	25	250
Trinity Cathedral ..	1	10	7	.....	.....	.....	46	105	.....	3	.....	.....	13	125	200
St. Matthew's .....	.....	36	25	25	6	8	215	570	5	19	.....	.....	24	160	*100
Spring Hill	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	600
Stepney .....	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	65	150	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	*100
All Hallows .....	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	63	130	.....	4	.....	.....	8	40	*400
Worcester.....	.....	.....	2	4	.....	1	.....	.....	1	4	.....	.....	4	25	350
Totals.....	17	307	25	106	73	23	2426	6691	81	303	3	45	239	1719	10351

* Supplemented from former Reports.

TABLE II.—Summary of Parochial Reports (Statistics of Contributions).

CHURCH OR PARISH.	Parish Expenses.	Parish Im- provements	Parish Charities.	Convention.	Episcopal Fund.	Home for Friendless.	Diocesan Missions.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Clergy Relief.	Other Purposes.
St. John's	\$116 00	\$16 00	\$6 00	\$5 00	.....	.....	\$6 50	.....	.....	.....	\$26 28
St. Mary's Whitechapel .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Augustine	800 00	.....	107 00	15 00	123 40	8 90	59 42	6 56	.....	.....	160 00
North Elk	648 55	450 00	22 60	12 50	.....	6 57	22 52	2 56	.....	5 00	19 60
St. James	1241 43	.....	.....	50 00	96 98	41 84	40 47	.....	2 56	16 18	66 00
N. Sassafras	904 26	.....	47 54	22 00	2 65	6 83	63 34	.....	.....	.....	98 84
Trinity	150 50	.....	91	15 00	.....	8 00	21 60	.....	2 50	3 57	8 00
Dorchester	87 45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 41	.....
E. New Market	1220 00	.....	200 00	30 00	25 00	68 00	133 50	33 30	26 00	8 19	335 00
Great Choplank .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vienna	1059 60	190 00	93 76	40 00	35 00	17 68	90 13	6 22	2 04	17 76	.....
Chester .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 50	.....	.....	.....	6 00	.....	100 00
I. U.	895 00	.....	.....	20 00	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00
North Kent	302 57	57 00	55 00	61 50	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	5 00	17 50
St. Paul's, Kent	3283 19	85 00	10 77	20 00	19 00	25 00	50 00	5 00	2 00	15 00	148 50
Shrewsbury	850 00	85 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....
Christ, Kent Island	465 06	108 94	5 60	5 00	.....	2 75	34 41	2 60	.....	.....	175 69
St. Luke's, Q. A.	1069 00	400 00	83 79	40 00	33 00	38 00	85 00	.....	.....	15 50	319 21
St. Paul's, Q. A.	636 89	162 00	.....	10 00	5 00	5 00	38 80	2 00	1 75	.....	32 56
Wye	815 95	101 25	9 50	40 00	.....	22 05	46 00	9 50	.....	19 61	449 00
Somerset .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Covenlry .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wilcomlco .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pocomoke	596 46	1282 44	.....	15 00	.....	18 49	11 31	3 36	.....	2 25	.....
St. Michael's	1000 00	34 00	40 00	40 00	34 00	77 00	80 00	.....	3 35	11 00	1264 00
St. Peter's	1837 89	114 88	150 00	97 00	282 70	115 00	215 60	55 40	31 01	30 50	1592 25
Holy Trinity .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
White Marsh	673 95	565 61	36 00	38 00	21 00	31 84	28 05	60 00	40 00	8 18	265 00
All Saints	200 00	12 00	26 72	.....	.....	41 06	43 50	.....	.....	.....	221 73
Trinity Cathedral	477 92	500 00	30 77	10 00	6 50	2 64	20 14	.....	4 00	.....	32 01
St. Matthew's .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Spring Hill	1056 10	130 00	73 00	30 00	25 00	10 00	19 20	.....	117 00	10 00	248 75
Stepney .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
All Hallows	489 31	.....	.....	18 00	.....	.....	5 60	9 20	9 20	.....	.....
Worcester	831 31	.....	.....	15 00	19 69	30 35	33 19	13 78	5 75	3 77	89 97

TABLE III—Summary of Vestry Reports.

CHURCH OR PARISH.	ENDOWMENT.		Treasurer's Accounts.	Insurance on Churches.	RECTORY.		SALARY.		GLASS.
	Amount.	How Invested			Number.	Amount of Insurance.	Promised.	Paid.	
St. John's				none	1	none	nothing		4 acres
St. Mary's Whitechapel.									
Augustine			audited	\$9000	1	\$8000 00	\$700 00	\$700 00	8 acres
North Elk		Coll \$151.30 for Gr. R.	audited	4000	1	2500 00	450 00	450 00	a valuable farm
St. James			audited	6000	1	3000 00	1000 00	1000 00	
North Nassau			audited	3000	1	3000 00	600 00	600 00	
Trinity			audited	3000	1	3000 00	600 00	475 00	
Dorchester			audited	no ins.	1	1000 00	300 00	70 00	
East New Market			audited	3000	1	1000 00	1000 00	175 00	
Great Choptank			audited	no ins.	1	no ins.	1000 00	in arrears	3 acres
Vienna			audited	no ins.	1	no ins.	800 00	210 00	a farm of 60 acres
Chester	\$1000 00	B. & O. R. Bonds	audited	3040	1	1400 00	700 00	700 00	1000 acres, largely unprofitable
North Kent			audited	4400	1	1000 00	400 00	200 00	
St. Paul's, Kent			audited	4000	1	1300 00	1000 00	745 00	
Shrewsbury			audited	3500	1	no ins.	500 00	485 78	
Christ, Kent Island			audited	3000	1	1500 00	no pledge	651 95	a few acres around Rectory
St. Luke's, Q. A.			audited	3000	1	1040 00	600 00	450 00	
St. Paul's, Q. A.	1000 00	Held by Trustees	audited	3000	1	3000 00	1000 00	900 00	
Wye	5000 00	Baltimore City Stock	audited	12500	1	3000 00	1900 00	1900 00	
Bowen	573 00	1st Mortg. on Real Est.	audited	3000	1	1500 00	600 00	600 00	some 20 acres
Covenry	3400 00	Balt City 4 per ct. and Easton Nat Bk	audited	3000	1	1500 00	600 00	600 00	
Wicomico			audited	3000	1	1500 00	600 00	600 00	
Pocomoke			audited	3000	1	1500 00	600 00	600 00	
St. Michael's			audited	3000	1	1500 00	600 00	600 00	
St. Peter's			audited	3000	1	1500 00	600 00	600 00	
Holy Trinity			audited	3000	1	1500 00	600 00	600 00	
Whitemarsh	806 78	Invested in Rectory	audited	3000	1	1500 00	600 00	600 00	
All Saints			audited	3000	1	1500 00	600 00	600 00	
Trinity Cathedral			audited	3000	1	1500 00	600 00	600 00	
St. Matthew's			audited	3000	1	1500 00	600 00	600 00	
Spring Hill	700 00	Private Security	audited	3000	1	1500 00	600 00	600 00	

APPENDIX.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

Convention of the Diocese of Easton in account with

THOMAS HUGHLETT, Treasurer.

DR.

1878.	June 6.	To cash paid the Rev. J. L. Bryan as per order of the Convention.....	\$ 25 00
"	6.	To cash paid the Rev. J. L. Bryan, to pay sexton, as per order of Convention	10 00
"	18.	To check to Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, on account of travelling expenses.....	62 50
"	18.	To cash paid Messrs. Innes & Co's bill.....	151 39
"	18.	To cash paid Rev. Jas. L. Bryan's bill	16 78
"	18.	To cash paid for Post Office order, &c.....	15
Nov.	14.	To cash paid Rev. Dr. John O. Barton's bill of expenses of attending a meeting of Standing Committee and Board of Diocesan Missions	9 50
Dec.	7.	To cash paid T. K. Robson's bill	6 03
1879.	May 17.	To check to Rev. T. Barber, D. D., for two bills amount.....	7 90
"	21.	To cash paid T. K. Robson for printing notices to Parishes, &c.	1 00
"	21.	To cash paid for stamps, &c.....	1 50
"	21.	To check to Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, for balance of travelling expenses.....	187 50
		Balance in hand.....	151 96
			\$631 21

CR.

1878.	June 6.	Balance in hand.....	\$ 12 05
"	6.	By cash of the Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell, chairman of the Committee on Parochial Contributions.....	611 16
"	6.	By cash of Shrewsbury Parish, in full of extra assessment for 1877.....	8 00
			\$631 21

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

THOMAS HUGHLETT, Treasurer.

of Easton.

OF DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

I. L. ADKINS, *Treasurer.*

St. James' Church.. ..	\$250 00
All Saints' and Trinity	200 00
Dorchester Parish.....	300 00
St. Luke's Parish.....	200 00
St. John's Parish, Caro-	150 00
East New Market Parish	208 00
.....	29 09
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	\$1337 09

..... \$155 56

St. Elston	73 20
..... Parish.....	74 21
Church, Port Deposit.....	31 62
Whitechapel Parish	5 60
..... Parish	19 35
.....	59 27
..... and All Saints' Church ..	89 14
..... Parish.....	215 11
..... Parish.....	133 50
..... Queen Anne.	89 52
.....	22 75
.....	70 01
.....	38 80
..... St. Caroline	6 00
.....	33 19
.....	40 00
.....	34 91
.....	22 70
..... Parish.....	41 47
.....	45 40
.....	19 25
..... Parish.....	6 53
	<hr/>
	\$1337 09

CLERGY RELIEF FUND.

..... last report.....	\$468 16
..... to May 31, 1879.....	28 08

Contributions received since last report:

June 4.	From North Sassafras Parish.....	18 75
" 11	" Spring Hill Parish.....	10 00
" 11.	" Chester Parish.....	10 76
" 11.	" St. James, Port Deposit.....	5 00
" 14.	" Great Choptank Parish.	8 19
" 21.	" Dorchester Parish..	2 55
July 3.	" Pocomoke Parish.....	2 55
July 27.	" St. Peter's Parish.....	17 14
Oct. 11.	" Worcester Parish.....	3 77
Nov. 2.	" All Saints' Church.....	50 00
1879.		
May 3.	" Shrewsbury Parish.....	15 00
May 25.	" North Sassafras Parish.....	16 13
	" August and February dividends on 6 shares stock (par value \$300) Masonic Hall Association of Easton.....	24 00

Amounting to.....\$680 08

Cash in my hands May 31, 1879.

EDMUND L. F. HARDCASTLE, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

With the Treasurer's statement of receipts and disbursements.

RECEIVED.

On account of subscriptions	\$ 581 00
On hand at last report.....	1,079 45
	\$1,660 45

EXPENDED.

For printing, stamps, safe deposit box, &c.....	\$ 15 50
For commissions, &c., to Wm. R. Martin, special collector	28 48
For state and county taxes	147 94

INVESTED.

Loans on mortgage	\$1,075 00
Balance on hand.....	393 53
	\$1,660 45

INTEREST AND DIVIDEND RECEIPTS.

From investments.....	\$1,526 60
From subscriptions.....	125 19

EXTRA ASSESSMENT.

From nine parishes paid.....	\$ 162 25
On hand at last report.....	132 39
	\$1,946 43

PAID.

On salary of the Bishop, 3 quarters..	\$1,875 00
Leaving on hand to pay salary.....	71 43
	\$1,946 43

I. L. ADKINS, *Treasurer.*

The Trustees respectfully submit the above statement of the Treasurer, and regret to have to report slow progress in the collection of subscription and interest arrears, and in the payment of notes taken in settlement. Delinquents asked further indulgence, pleading hard times. It would seem that the limit of indulgence has been reached, and that decided measures must be taken if any considerable part of these arrearages of subscriptions to the Bishop's Fund are to be realized. It is therefore recommended that the accounts of delinquents who will not make settlement by note or otherwise, be put in the hands of proper counsel in each of the parishes or counties for collection, at the earliest possible period; sufficient time being given for the crop returns, that all may pay with the least inconvenience. It is also urged that the efforts of the special collectors be continued.

The extra assessment on the parishes, adopted by the last Convention, is also respectfully recommended for one more year, at least; contributions from this source to be forwarded to the Treasurer before the first of October, at which date there will probably be such a deficit as will render payment of the quarter's salary difficult without such help. The last assessment has been paid by only nine of the parishes, to the amount of \$162.25 of the five hundred dollars assessed. It is of great importance that the other parishes forward their dues by July 1st, to meet the quarter's salary then due. There is reason to hope that this extra call will not always be necessary, as most of the unproductive investments are steadily appreciating in value.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD B. CARMICHAEL,
CHARLES LOWNDES,
W. S. WALKER,
EDMUND L. F. HARDCASTLE,
I. L. ADKINS.

NINTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN, DIOCESE OF EASTON.

The return of the time for our Ninth Annual Report to Convention finds us still prospering — unencumbered with debt (except two hundred dollars incurred for the building of a new kitchen last year), and much encouraged in our work, because of the visible results of the training and culture bestowed upon the children committed to our care. We still number twenty-one, no addition having been made this year. For a few months we had the care of a child ten years of age, but while waiting for legal guardianship to be obtained she was claimed by a relative who was able and willing to undertake her support.

In the month of September suitable provision was made for one of the girls who had arrived at the age of eighteen.

Visitors to the Home are struck with the admirable management and prompt obedience of the children, and a reference to the report of the Treasurer will show upon how small a sum the family of twenty-three individuals is maintained. Our receipts are less this year by two hundred dollars. From some parishes we have received nothing whatever. We are aware of the financial

pressure throughout the country, and are glad to think that our diminished income is not due to a lack of interest in the Institution. We attribute it partly to the absence of our beloved Bishop, who so earnestly labors for us during his visitations.

The past year has been sadly marked by the first inroad of death among the officers of the Home. Our Vice-President, Mrs. A. M. Hollyday, was called hence in the month of December, full of faith and good works, and leaving behind her a precious memory. The absence of our President and also of our Treasurer, in Europe, has left us fewer indeed in numbers, but with untiring energy using every means to provide for the welfare of these helpless children.

The two parishes of Trinity and North Elk have undertaken jointly to clothe a child. Such assistance is invaluable to us, as we are taxed to the utmost to meet other current expenses. We beg attention to the subjoined list of boxes received and of parishes wherein a child is clothed.

All which is respectfully submitted.

D. CORNELIA DAWSON, *Corresponding Sec'y.*

LIST OF PARISHES WHEREIN AND INDIVIDUALS BY WHOM THE CHILDREN
ARE CLOTHED.

Trinity and North Elk parishes, jointly; St. Mary Anne's parish; Shrewsbury parish; Great Choptank parish; Chester parish; North Sassafras parish; Princess Anne; St. Paul's parish, Queen Anne's Co.; Berlin; Salisbury; Church of the Holy Trinity, Greensborough; the Sunday School of Chestertown, Kent Co., each clothe one child. Three children are clothed in St. Michael's parish; two ladies of Baltimore clothe a child; some ladies of Elkton, one child; Happy Thought Society, Wye parish, one child; Christ Church Guild, Denton, one child.

BOXES, &C., RECEIVED.

From All Saints, a wagon load of provisions at Thanksgiving; St. Paul's parish, Centreville, a similar donation at the same time; a barrel of flour from Mr. Holt, Hillsborough; a barrel of apples from R. J. Trippe, of Easton; a barrel of apples from Dr. H. Goldsborough, of Easton; one large and valuable box of provisions, dry goods, clothing, shoes and groceries from Trinity Church, Elkton; one box of soap from Trinity Church, Elkton; from the girls of St. Cecilia's Guild, Elkton, two quilts and some clothing; from the children of Chester parish, a Christmas box; from Miss Ringgold of Baltimore, a box of Christmas presents; thirty yards dress goods from a lady of Easton; Pocomoke City, one box provisions and sundries; Mr. Chesley, East New Market, one box of provisions and sundries. In January a pound party was held in Easton, from which large amounts were received in provisions and groceries, and for which boxes were sent from Centreville and St. Michael's. Several of the merchants of Easton give stated amounts in dry goods or groceries to our annual collectors, and donations of provisions are sent almost every month from citizens of Easton and vicinity.

LIST OF OFFICERS.

- Mrs. H. C. LAY, *President.*
- " J. E. M. CHAMBERLAINE, *Vice President.*
- " M. M. DAWSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*
- " J. C. W. POWELL, *Recording Secretary.*
- " GEORGE R. GOLDSBOROUGH, *Treasurer.*

MANAGERS.

- Mrs. JOHN W. MARTIN,
- " MARGARET HUGHLETT,
- " E. O. DAWSON,
- " S. A. HARRISON,
- " WM. H. SMITH,
- " J. V. STRYKER,
- Mrs. M. HASKINS,
- " T. K. ROBSON,
- " ELIA G. KENNARD,
- " M. F. PHIPPS,
- Miss J. P. DAWSON,
- " M. H. GOLDSBOROUGH.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

- Rev. ROBERT WILSON, M. D.,
- Rev. ERASTUS F. DASHIELL,
- I. L. ADKINS, M. D.,
- JOHN McD. GOLDSBOROUGH,
- E. M. HARDCASTLE, M. D.

PHYSICIANS.

- Dr. JOHN C. EARLE,
- Dr JAMES M. H. BATEMAN.

MATRON.

Miss LOUISA D. NABB.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Miss S. PHILLIPPS.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN.

Home for Friendless Children
in account with Mrs. J. E. M. CHAMBERLAINE.

SUBSCRIPTIONS FROM PARISHES.

Cecil County, North Sassafras Parish, St. Stephen's Church.	\$ 49 79	
" " St. James' Church, Port Deposit.....	6 57	
" " Trinity Parish, Elkton.	6 43	
" " St. Mark's Chapel, North East	5 25	
" " North Elk Parish, St. Mary Anne's Church...	3 25	
Total from Cecil County.....	————	\$71 29
Kent County, Shrewsbury Parish.....	25 00	
" " Chester Parish, St. Paul's Ch., Chestertown...	18 68	
Total from Kent County.....	————	43 68
Queen Anne's County, St. Paul's Parish, Centreville.....	37 00	
" " Wye Parish.....	5 00	
Total from Queen Anne's Co.	————	42 00
Talbot County, St. Peter's Parish, Christ Church, Easton....	115 00	
" " The Cathedral.. ..	19 29	
" " All Saints' Church.....	36 00	

Talbot County, St. Michael's Parish.....	15 53	
" " " " " St. John's Chapel.....	17 00	
" " " " " Christ Church.....	15 25	
" " Whitemarsh Parish.....	33 34	
Total from Talbot County.....	—	251 41
Dorchester County, Great Choptank Parish	58 00	
" " Grace Church, Taylor's Island.....	6 00	
" " East New Market Parish.....	2 25	
Total from Dorchester County.....	—	66 25
Somerset County, Somerset Parish.....	12 02	
Total from Somerset County.....	—	12 02
Worcester County, Berlin.....	30 35	
" " Pocomoke Parish.....	18 49	
Total from Worcester County.....	—	48 84
Wicomico County, Salisbury, St. Peter's Church.....	10 00	
Total from Wicomico County.....	—	10 00
Total contributions from Parishes.....		545 49
Donation from Mr. Colton of Annapolis.....		100 00
Interest of Investments.....		380 00
Miscellaneous receipts		34 42
Balance from last year.....		16 72
Total receipts.....		<u>\$1076 63</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Matron's salary.....	\$200 00
Assistant Matron.....	142 50
Insurance.....	32 25
Supplies.....	310 87
Clothing	53 13
Wages.....	36 75
Fuel.....	104 25
Medicine.....	20 47
General expenses.....	155 93
Total spent	<u>\$1056 15</u>
Balance in bank.....	20 48
	<u>\$1076 63</u>

MRS. J. E. M. CHAMBERLAINE, *Treasurer pro tem.*

June 2nd, 1879.

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CONVENTION ASSESSMENTS.

	For Diocesan Expenses, Due June 1880.
St. John's, Caroline	\$5 00
St. Mary's Whitechapel	5 00
St. Mary Anne's.....	15 00
North Sassafras.	50 00
Trinity, Elkton.	20 00
St. James, Port Deposit.....	12 50
Dorchester Parish.....	8 00
East Newmarket	8 00
Great Choptank	30 00
Vienna.....	5 00
Chester Parish.....	40 00
I. U.....	10 00
North Kent.....	20 00
St. Paul's, Kent.....	20 00
Shrewsbury	20 00
Wye Parish.....	10 00
Christ Church, Q. A.....	15 00
St. Luke's, Q. A.....	5 00
St. Paul's, Q. A.....	40 00
Coventry Parish.....	10 00
Somerset Parish.....	40 00
Pocomoke Parish.....	18 00
St. Michael's Parish.....	40 00
St. Peter's Parish.....	50 00
Whitemarsh Parish.....	25 00
Trinity Cathedral.....	10 00
Spring Hill Parish.....	30 00
All Hallows' Parish	18 00
Worcester Parish.....	15 00

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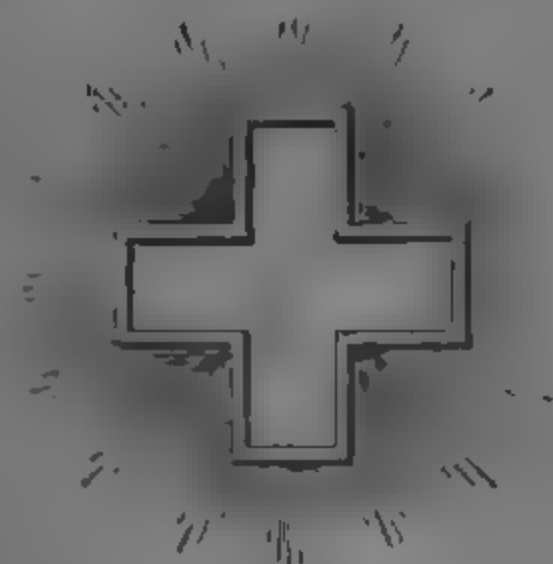
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 - b. for the use of the Clergy Relief Fund of said Convention; or
 - c. for the use of the Episcopal Fund of said Diocese; or
 - d. for the Missions of the Diocese, or for any other specific use.
2. "I give to TRINITY CATHEDRAL EASTON,"
 - a. for the purpose of building or repairs; or
 - b. for the endowment thereof, the annual profits only to be expended; or
 - c. for charitable uses, to be expended by the Bishop of said Cathedral.
3. "I give to the HOME FOR THE FRIENDLESS CHILDREN OF THE EASTERN SHORE OF MARYLAND," _____ Dollars.
4. "I give to the VESTRY OF _____ Parish" or else "I give to the CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF EASTON," as Trustees for _____ Parish, the sum of _____ Dollars, the annual proceeds thereof to be devoted to the support of the Rector, or to the repairs of the Church, or to any other object specified.

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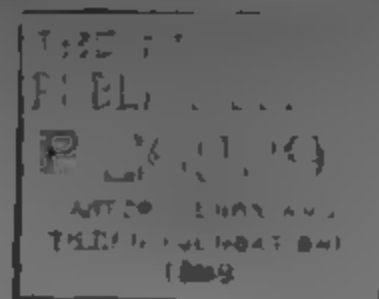
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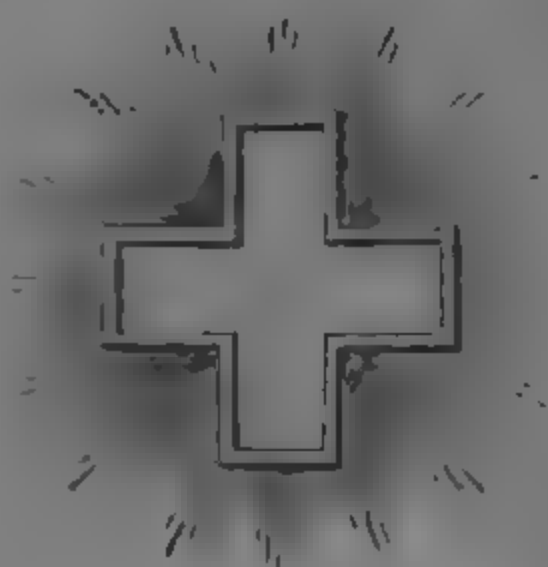
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MEETINGS OF THE CONVOCATIONS.

NORTHERN.

REV LEWIS WALSH, *Dean.*

1 E Parish, Tuesday, August 17th. Port Deposit, Tuesday, February 24th.
North East, Tuesday, May 17th.

MIDDLE.

REV THOS P. BARBER, D D, *Dean.*

Trappe, Tuesday, September 21st. Easton, Tuesday, February 23d.
Centreville, Tuesday, May 10th.

SOUTHERN.

REV JOHN O BARTON, D D, *Dean.*

Bethr, Tuesday, August 17th. Salisbury, Tuesday, January 11th.
Snow Hill Tuesday, May 3d.

HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN.

Applications for admission to the Home for Friendless Children must be made, in writing, to the President of the Board, Mrs Henry C. LAY, or to the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs M. M. Dawson, Easton, Talbot County, Md.

Boxes of supplies should be marked with the name of the Parish, and directed to the "Home for Friendless Children, Easton, Md."

DIOCESAN TREASURERS.

The Bishop requests that remittances for Diocesan purposes may be made, not to him, but directly to the several Treasurers, the post office of all of them being EASTON, MARYLAND. These are:

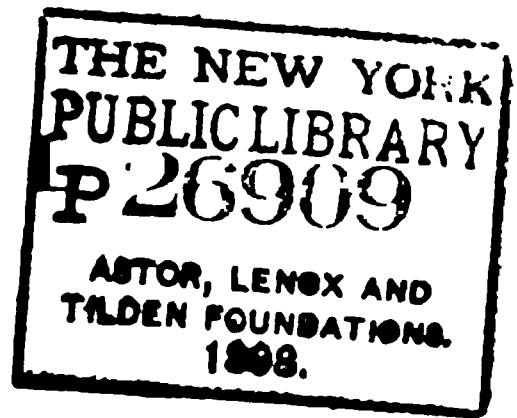
THOMAS HUGHETT	...	Treasurer of Convention
ISAAC L. ADKINS	" Episcopal Fund
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E. L. F. HARGREAVE	.. .	" Clergy Relief
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LIST OF THE CLERGY

OF THE

DIOCESE OF EASTON, JUNE 2D, 1880.

•• Those whose names are in *italics* are not entitled to a seat in Convention, and those marked with an * did not attend its sessions.

Rt. Rev. HENRY C. LAY, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese.

Rev. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D., Rector of Great Choptank Parish.

“ **John A. Thompson*, residing on Kent Island.

“ ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, Rector of St. Michael's Parish.

“ GEORGE F. BEAVEN, Rector of St. John's Parish.

“ *JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D., Deacon, Assistant Minister of Great Choptank Parish.

“ **Thomas L. Green*, residing at Church Hill.

“ JOSEPH N. WATSON, Rector of North Kent Parish.

“ JOHN O. BARTON, D. D., Rector of Somerset Parish.

“ JAMES A. MITCHELL, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Q. A. Co.

“ ROBERT WILSON, M. D., Rector of St. Peter's Parish.

“ *JOHN MARTIN, Rector of Shrewsbury Parish.

“ E. J. STEARNS, D. D., Examining Chaplain.

“ **George S. Fitzhugh*, residing near Berlin.

“ **Edward G. Perryman*, Perrymansville, Md.

“ STEPHEN C. ROBERTS, Rector of Chester Parish.

“ LEWIS WALKE, Rector of North Sassafras Parish.

“ SEWELL S. HEPBRON, Rector of St. Paul's, Kent Co., & I. U. Parishes.

“ E. K. MILLER, Rector of North Elk or St. Mary Anne's Parish.

“ *PHILIP D. THOMPSON, Rector of Christ Church Parish.

“ **Pierre Du Gué Trapier*.

“ **Charles E. Milnor*.

“ W. Y. BEAVAN, Assistant Minister of Trinity Cathedral.

“ GEORGE W. EASTER, Rector of St. James', Port Deposit.

“ WILLARD G. DAVENPORT, Rector of St. Luke's, Q. A. Co.

“ W. WALLACE GREENE, Rector of Dorchester Parish.

“ JOHN V. STRYKER, Assistant Minister of Trinity Cathedral.

“ J. H. B. BROOKS, Rector of Spring Hill Parish.

“ HARRISON CRUIKSHANK, M. D., Rector of Coventry Parish.

“ FRANCIS W. HILLIARD, Rector of Pocomoke Parish.

“ ALBERT R. WALKER, Rector of Whitemarsh Parish.

“ *DANIEL NASH ALLEN.

“ J. HARRY CHESLEY, Minister in East New Market & Vienna Parishes.

“ WILLIAM SCHOULER, Rector of Trinity Parish.

In all, the Bishop, 31 Priests, and 2 Deacons=34.

ENERGY.

PLACE ADDRESS.

... D. D., Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
... D. D., Cambridge, Dorchester Co., Md
... D. D., Princess Anne, Somerset Co., Md.
... Hillsborough, Caroline Co., Md.
... Talbot Co., Md.
... Wicomico Co., Md.
... D. D., Cambridge, Dorchester Co., Md.
... East New Market, Dorchester Co., Md.
... Westover, Somerset Co., Md.
... St. Michael's, Talbot Co., Md.
... Church Hill, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
... Port Deposit, Cecil Co., Md.
... Berlin, Worcester Co., Md.
... Church Hill, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
... Church Creek, Dorchester Co., Md.
... Fairleigh, Kent Co., Md.
... Pocomoke City, Worcester Co., Md.
... Forest Grove, Kent Co., Md.
... North East, Cecil Co., Md.
... Milford, Del.
... Centreville, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
... Perrymansville, Harford Co., Md.
... Chestertown, Kent Co., Md.
... Elkton, Cecil Co., Md.
... D D , Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
... Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
... Kent Island, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
... Kent Island, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
... TRAPIER.
... Cecil Co., Md.
... Trappe, Talbot Co., Md.
... Massey's, Kent Co., Md.
... M. D , Easton, Talbot Co., Md.

LIST
OF
PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS IN THE DIOCESE OF
EASTON, WITH THE CLERGY OF THE SAME;
AND OF
LAY DELEGATES TO THE TWELTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

Lay Delegates marked with an * did not attend.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. John's Parish. St. Paul's Church, Hillsborough, Church of the Holy Trinity, Greensborough, Rev. George F. Beaven, Rector.	<i>Lay Delegates.</i> G. W. Goldsborough, M. D.
St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish. Christ Church, Denton.	G. W. Russum.

CECIL COUNTY.

Augustine Parish. St. Augustine Church.	
North Elk Parish. St. Mary Anne's Church, North East, St. Mark's Chapel, Perryville, Rev. Enoch K. Miller, Rector.	Henry S. Coudon.
North Sassafras Parish. St. Stephen's Church, St. Stephen's Chapel, Cecilton, Rev. Lewis Walke, Rector.	*Wm. M. Knight.
Trinity Parish. Trinity Church, Elkton, Rev. Wm. Schouler, Rector.	G. W. Cruikshank.
St. James' Church. St. James' Church, Port Deposit, Rev. George W. Easter, Rector.	*R. E. McClenahan.

*Diocesan Convention of Easton.***DORCHESTER COUNTY.****Dorchester Parish.**

Trinity Church, Church Creek,
 Grace Church, Taylor's Island,
 Rev. W. W. Greene, Rector.

Lay Delegates.

R. L. Spilman.

East New Market Parish.

St. Stephen's Church, East New Market,
 Rev. J. Harry Chesley, Minister.

Great Choptank Parish.

Christ Church, Cambridge,
 St. John's Chapel, Castle Haven Neck,
 Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., Rector.
 Rev. Jas. L. Bryan, M. D., Deacon.
 Assistant Minister.

Wm. R. Hayward.

*Dan'l M. Henry, Jr.

Vienna Parish.

St. Paul's Church, Vienna,
 Rev. J. Harry Chesley, Minister.

KENT COUNTY.**Chester Parish.**

St. Paul's Church, Chestertown,
 Rev. Stephen C. Roberts, Rector.

Wm. S. Walker.

I. U. Parish.

Christ Church,
 Rev. Sewell S. Hepbron, Rector.

*Luther Handy.

North Kent Parish.

St. Clement's Church, Massey's,
 Chapel of the Holy Cross, Millington,
 Rev. Joseph N. Wattson, Rector.

L. M. Bean.

St. Paul's Parish.

St. Paul's Church,
 Rev. Sewell S. Hepbron, Rector.

Shrewsbury Parish.

Shrewsbury Church,
 St. Andrew's Chapel, Galena,
 Rev. John Martin, Rector.

John W. Ireland.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.**Christ Church Parish.**

Christ Church, Kent Island,
 Rev. Philip D. Thompson, Rector.

Ed. C. Legg.

St. Luke's Parish.

St. Luke's Church, Church Hill,
 St. Andrew's Chapel, Sudlersville,
 Rev. W. G. Davenport, Rector.

W. E. B. Faithful.

St. Paul's Parish.

St. Paul's Church, Centreville,
 Rev. James A. Mitchell, Rector.

William McKenney.

List of Parishes, &c.

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QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT COUNTIES.

Wye Parish.

Lay Delegates.

St. Luke's Church, Queenstown,
St. Luke's Chapel, Wye,

————— Rector.

R. B. Carmichael.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Coventry Parish.

Rehoboth Church, Rehoboth,
St. Paul's Church, Annamessex,
St. Mark's Church, Kingston,
St. Stephen's Church, Fairmount,

Rev. H. Cruikshank, M. D., Minister. *G. R. Dennis, M. D.

Somerset Parish.

All Saints, Monie,
St. Andrew's Church, Princess Anne,

Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., Rector. *Wm. Stewart, M. D.

Wicomico Parish.

Grace Church,

*W. H. Groscup.

SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

Pocomoke Parish.

St. Mary's Church, Pocomoke City,
St. Stephen's Church, Naswaddux,
Rev. Francis W. Hilliard, Rector.

S. S. McMaster.

TALBOT COUNTY.

St. Michael's Parish.

Christ Church, St. Michael's,
St. John's Church, Miles River Ferry.
St. Paul's Chapel, Royal Oak,
All Saints' Church, Longwoods,
Rev. E. F. Dashiell, Rector,
Rev. W. Y. Beaven, Assistant.

Geo. R. Goldsborough.
Geo. E. Haddaway.

St. Peter's Parish.

Christ Church, Easton,
Rev. Robert Wilson, M. D., Rector. I. L. Adkins, M. D.

Church of the Holy Trinity, Oxford.

Whitemarsh Parish.

St. Peter's Church, Whitemarsh,
St. Paul's Church, Trappe,
Grace Chapel, Oxford,
Rev. Albert R. Walker, Rector.

J. B. Seth.

Trinity Cathedral,

Trinity Chapel,
Chapel of the Holy Cross, Easton Point,
The Bishop, Rector.
Rev. John V. Stryker,
Assistant Minister.

J. F. Bateman.
J. W. Cheezum.

WICOMICO COUNTY.

St. Matthew's Parish.

Lay Delegates.

St. Matthew's Church.

Salisbury Parish.

St. Peter's Church, Salisbury,

Rev. J. H. B. Brooks, Rector.

T. F. J. Rider.

Spring Hill Parish.

St. Peter's Church,

St. Philip's Chapel, Quantico,

Rev. J. H. B. Brooks, Rector.

Stepney Parish.

Stepney Church, Green Hill,

St. Mary's Chapel, Tyaskin.

WORCESTER COUNTY.

All Hallows' Parish.

All Hallows' Church, Snow Hill,

St. John's Church, Traptown,

Chapel of the Holy Cross, Sandy Hill.

J. B. R. Purnell, M. D.

Worcester Parish.

St. Paul's Church, Berlin,

St. Martin's Church, St. Martin.

John S. Purnell.

In all, 34 Incorporated Parishes and Congregations (represented at the Twelfth Annual Convention by 22 Lay Delegates), and 58 Churches and Chapels.

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R U L E S O F O R D E R .

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with Prayer.
 2. This Convention shall sit for the dispatch of business, beginning with Divine service, at such hours as each Convention may determine.
 3. At the opening of the Session, the Convention shall be called to order by the Bishop; or, if there be no Bishop, or he be absent, by the President of the Standing Committee, or by some member of that body, appointed by those of its members who may be present.
 4. The names of the Clergymen, from a list furnished by the Bishop, and, if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee, shall then be called over by the Secretary of the last Convention, or, in his absence, by some person appointed by the Bishop, or other person, who called the Convention to order. The Lay Delegates shall then lay their Certificates upon the table, and subscribe the Declaration required by the Constitution. If a quorum of both orders appear, the Bishop, if present, shall announce the fact, and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.
 5. In case of the absence of the Bishop, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the person who called the Convention to order shall announce that there is a quorum present. The Convention shall then proceed to elect a President, according to the seventh article of the Constitution; who shall, so soon as his election is completed, take the chair and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.
 6. The first business after that declaration is made, either by the Bishop, or the President, shall be the election of a Secretary. The Chair may then appoint an Assistant Secretary and the Committees mentioned in the next Rule.
 7. The following Committees shall be appointed by the Chair: one on Rights of Clergymen to seats in this Convention, consisting of three Clergymen; one on Elections, to consist of three Laymen, to whom the testimonials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred; one on Accounts, to consist of three Laymen; one on Parochial Contributions and Assessments, to consist of one Clergyman and four Laymen; one on the admission of New Parishes and Congregations into union with this Convention, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman; one on the Episcopal Fund, to consist of two Laymen and one Clergyman; and one on Canons and other business, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman. The Chair shall also appoint all other Committees, for the appointment of which no other provision is made, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.
 8. Every member shall take his seat when the President takes the chair, and remain uncovered, until he shall have left the Convention.
 9. Every member, who shall speak in any debate, shall stand up in his place, and respectfully address himself to the President.
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10. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the President shall decide who shall speak first.

11. No member shall speak more than twice in any debate, without leave. If any member shall rise to speak more than twice on the same question without leave, the President shall call him to order. No member shall be interrupted, while he is speaking in order.

12. Any member, who is speaking, shall take his seat, when called to order by the President or any other member.

13. No member shall speak to another, so as to interrupt any member who may be speaking in debate.

14. No motion shall be debated, until the same shall be seconded, and, if desired by any member, reduced to writing and read by the Secretary.

15. When a motion is made and seconded, the matter of the motion shall receive a determination by the question before any motion, not privileged, shall be received.

16. Privileged motions, in their order of precedence, shall be : to adjourn, to postpone indefinitely, to lay on the table, to amend and to offer a substitute ; the question on the first three to be taken without debate.

17. If a question contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

18. All questions of Order shall be decided by the President ; but there shall be a right of appeal to the Convention.

19. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention ; and shall not be again drawn into debate during the session, except with the consent of two-thirds of the Convention.

20. No question shall be taken on any report, unless upon a motion to print or re-commit it, but Reports shall, as of course, lie upon the table. If a Committee deem any action of the Convention desirable, it shall be their duty to present in writing such Resolutions, Acts, or Canons as they may think it should adopt ; which only shall be subject to the action of the Convention. Every act which divides a Parish, or in any way affects Parish Boundaries, shall distinctly set out the new Boundaries, which it is intended to establish. The Convention will not act upon any proposed Resolution, Act, or Canon, which is not conformed to the provisions of this rule.

21. All elections shall be by ballot, unless otherwise ordered ; the votes of the Clergy and Laity shall be received and counted separately ; but the vote shall be regarded as a joint one ; and the election shall be decided by a majority of the whole number of votes taken together, unless a vote by Orders shall have been required, agreeably to the fifth article of the Constitution.

22. It shall be the order of the day at 12 M., on the second day of the session of the Convention, to elect the Standing Committee, and the other officers whom it is the duty of the Convention to appoint.

23. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions, until altered, or rescinded ; and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

THE TWELFTH ANNUAL SESSION of the *Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton* assembled at 10.30 A. M. in St. Paul's Church, Centreville, on Wednesday, the second day of June, 1880.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Joseph N. Wattson. The Lessons were read by the Rev. Messrs. Easter and Brooks. The Sermon, from I. Cor. vii. 24, was preached by the Rev. Albert R. Walker.

The Rev. Dr. Stearns presented the Rev. Harrison Cruikshank, M. D., Deacon, for ordination to the Sacred Order of the Priesthood.

The Bishop said the Litany.

The Ante-Communion Service was said by the Rev. Dr. Barber, the Rev. Mr. Wilson reading the Epistle, and the Rev. Dr. Leeds, the Gospel.

The Deans, together with the Presenter, and the Rev. Dr. Leeds united with the Bishop in the imposition of hands.

The Bishop celebrated the Holy Communion.

Divine Service being ended, the Bishop called the Convention to order.

The Secretary of the last Convention called the roll from the list furnished by the Bishop, when the following answered to their names :

Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, D.D., LL.D.,	The Rev. Enoch K. Miller,
The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D.D.,	“ “ James A. Mitchell.
“ “ John O. Barton, D.D.,	“ “ Stephen C. Roberts,
“ “ W. Y. Beaven,	“ “ E. J. Stearns, D. D.,
“ “ J. H. B. Brooks,	“ “ John V. Stryker,
“ “ H. Cruikshank, M. D.,	“ “ Lewis Walke,
“ “ Willard G. Davenport,	“ “ Albert R. Walker,
“ “ George W. Easter,	“ “ Joseph N. Wattson,
“ “ W. Wallace Greene,	“ “ Robert Wilson, M. D.
“ “ Sewell S. Hepbron,	= 20.
“ “ Francis W. Hilliard,	

The Rev. William Schouler was present, but not entitled to a seat.

The certificates of the Lay Delegates being laid upon the table of the Secretary, the list of such Delegates was read, when the following answered to their names :

I. L. Adkins, M. D.,
L. M. Bean,
Henry S. Coudon,
W. E. B. Faithful,
George R. Goldsborough,
John W. Ireland,
William McKenney,

S. S. McMaster,
J. B. R. Purnell, M. D.,
John R. Purnell,
Thos. F. J. Rider,
R. L. Spilman,
Wm. S. Walker.

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A quorum of both orders being present, the President announced that the Convention was duly organized, and the first business in order was the election of a Secretary.

The Rev. James A. Mitchell, being nominated, was elected, the ballot being dispensed with.

The President appointed Mr. Wm. S. Walker, Assistant Secretary.

The President then announced the following Committees :

On Rights of Clergymen to Seats.—The Rev. Messrs. Roberts, Stryker and Hilliard.

On Elections.—Messrs. McMaster, Coudon and Spilman.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, it was

Resolved, That visiting clergymen, candidates for Holy Orders, and the vestry of St. Paul's Parish be invited to seats in this Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Leeds, from the Diocese of Maryland, and Mr. Frank B. Adkins, candidate for Holy Orders, thereupon took their seats in the Convention.

The President delivered the Report of the Managers of the Home of Friendless Children of the Eastern Shore of Maryland, which was thereupon read by the Secretary. (See Appendix.)

On motion, the Convention adjourned until 8 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

8 P. M.

Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. Schouler and Cruikshank.

At the close of Divine Service, the President called the Convention to order.

The Rev. Mr. Roberts, from the Committee on *Rights of Clergymen to Seats*, reported the following clergymen entitled to seats :

The Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, D. D., LL. D., the Revs. D. N. Allan, Theo. P. Barber, D. D., J. O. Barton, D. D., George F. Beaven, W. Y. Beaven, James L. Bryan, M. D., J. H. B. Brooks, J. H. Chesley, H. Cruikshank, M. D., E. F. Dashiell, W. G. Davenport, G. W. Easter, W. W. Greene, S. S. Hepbron, F. W. Hilliard, John Martin, E. K. Miller, J. A. Mitchell, S. C. Roberts, E. J. Stearns, D. D., J. V. Stryker, P. D. Thompson, Lewis Walke, A. R. Walker, J. N. Wattson, Robert Wilson, M. D.

Mr. McMaster, from the *Committee on Elections*, reported the following Lay Delegates entitled to seats :

Messrs. Luther Handy, L. M. Bean, J. W. Ireland, W. S. Walker, W. R. Hayward, M. W. Goldsborough, Robert L. Spilman, George R. Goldsborough, Thos. H. Matthews, I. L. Adkins, M. D., Henry S. Coudon, Geo. W. Cruikshank, R. E. McClenahan, Wm. M. Knight, Thos. F. J. Rider, Wm. McKenney, Richard B. Carmichael, Edward C. Legg, W. E. B. Faithful, Geo. M. Russum, G. W. Goldsborough, M. D., J. B. R. Purnell, M. D., John R. Purnell, S. S. McMaster, Geo. R. Dennis, M. D., William Stewart, M. D., Wm. H. Groscup, J. F. Bateman, John W. Cheezum.

The President announced the following Committees :

On Accounts.—Dr. Purnell and Messrs. Spilman and Cruikshank.

On Parochial Assessments.—The Rev. Dr. Barton and Messrs. G. R. Goldsborough, Rider, Ireland and J. R. Purnell.

On the State of the Church.—The Rev. Messrs. Wilson, Brooks, Wattson, Dr. Adkins and Mr. McMaster.

On Admission of New Parishes.—The Rev. Mr. Walke and Messrs. Bean and Coudon.

On the Episcopal Fund.—The Rev. Mr. Dashiell and Messrs. McKenney and Hayward.

On Canons.—The Rev. Drs. Barber and Stearns and Mr. Geo. Russum.

The Bishop then read his address to the Convention :

ADDRESS OF THE BISHOP.

BRETHREN OF THE CONVENTION :

Although the Church in the Eastern Shore counties has for twelve years maintained its own diocesan organization, its members are attached by most sacred memories and associations to the mother Diocese of Maryland.

It seems most suitable that we should, at the outset of our deliberations, pause to make reverent mention of the late Bishop of Maryland, entered into rest since our last meeting. In company with a large number of Bishops, Clergy and others, I attended his funeral at Orange, New Jersey, on the 21st of October last ; and subsequently, on the 2d of December, together with several other representatives of this Diocese, took part in a Memorial Service held in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore.

I have heretofore paid, as best I could, my tribute to this much revered Father in God ; and because I desire to speak of him still, on this first occasion of our coming together since his death, and to leave on permanent record some fitting expression of love and reverence, I ask leave to repeat to you the Minute, issued soon after the funeral, which it was made my duty, with the assistance of the Rev. Dr. Leeds, to prepare :

Expression of Reverence for the Character of Bishop Whittingham.

The Bishops, Clergy and Laity who have just conveyed to its resting place the body of their venerated Father in God, William Rollinson Whittingham, late Bishop of Maryland, unite to express their reverence for a character so saintly, and to deplore the loss to themselves and to the Church militant here on earth of a ruler so preëminent among his brethren for ability, for learning and for personal goodness.

To express worthily our common grief, if it were possible to do so, would profit but little. Our truest solace lies partly in the

assurance of hope that our beloved Father, in passing away from earthly ministrations, fails not to enter into higher employments, and partly in reviving the associations connected with his honored name and in reminding ourselves of the goodness God hath shown to him, and through him to us.

Recalling his earthly history, we remember with gratitude the illustration it affords of the blessing that follows upon maternal care. In all secular studies, and until he was ready to enter upon his theological course, Bishop Whittingham's mother was his tutor. If a mother, on whom rested a full share of domestic cares, could thus conduct the intellectual education, and guide to the threshold of the sacred ministry a son like this—a mother more blessed than Monica, in that the son of her affection made no experiment of the ways of evil—we may humbly trust that other mothers, and fathers as well, are nurturing in seclusion those who shall be able ministers of the New Testament.

We are thankful for the benefits which have inured to the Church from this Bishop's diversified gifts and large erudition. Of these we have often availed ourselves in our consultations and legislation, and by these our ideal of Christian scholarship has been elevated and refined.

As theological professor, no less than as the administrator of a diocese, by the labors of his pen, no less than by his oral teachings, he raised the standard of sound learning and formed for usefulness a large number of those who have done good service in the Church in all the offices of the ministry.

We recognize gratefully the excellence of his Christian example. He was bold, determined and enterprising. He yielded not to opposition, but sought with his whole heart to promote the principles and to carry out the policies which commended themselves to his judgment and his conscience. But his was a heart affectionate, sympathizing and generous. Sensitive he was, and easily wounded; but his resentments were void of malice; he was ever easy to be entreated and ready to forgive.

After we have said thus much, we are reminded that those who knew him best, in the unreserve of his home life, learned to venerate him, not only as the man of acute intellect, the ripe scholar, the theological teacher, impressing his own earnestness on his pupils, or the Bishop whose episcopate, until hampered by physical infirmity and providential hindrances, was so remarkably

ension and inspiriting of the Church in Maryland appreciate these things, and besides these, his voice in the counsels of the Church at home, his interest in the Church beyond our seas, his zeal for all genuine reformatations, for foreign missions, civil and churchly efforts in Hayti, Mexico and Cuba, to tell us, and we all affirm their testimony, that they hold him most of all as one of the holy and humble men of a devout and prayerful Christian man. He combined graces most distinctive of the man, the woman and the child ; he did justice, he loved mercy, he walked humbly with his God. Especially did he excel in lowliness of mind. Few seem to have learned as he to abase themselves before the Most High in the acknowledgment of ill-desert and the repudiation of creature merit.

Our heart-felt sympathies are with the members of the affectionate household whose master and whose ornament is taken away. May the Father-voice, speaking in their hearts, comfort them now, and the Father-hand in due time wipe away their tears ! For them, for the bereaved Diocese, and for him who succeeds to the undivided responsibility of its guidance, our prayers and our best wishes are given. May the Diocese, under the sole administration of its present bishop, increase more and more in zeal, efficiency, and brotherly love !

And now, that we turn away from this scene of mourning to meet our several responsibilities in the Church of God, we would find comfort ourselves by remembering how sweet is the twilight rest to those who have patiently and courageously borne the burden and heat of the working-day ; how glorious the awakening of the morning whose sun shall never set. The lists in which our honored comrade and father contended are open to us all. By patient continuance in well-doing we may hope to do the work that is given us to do, and to win through grace for ourselves the rest, the welcome, and the resurrection of the just.

HENRY C. LAY,
GEORGE LEEDS,
On behalf of the Committee.

The Work of the Diocese.

Upon reviewing the work of the past year, it will appear that the visitations have been as thorough as in any previous year. I desire to express my devout thankfulness to Almighty God, that, in spite of acute illness and of some chronic infirmity, I have been permitted to visit all the congregations, to attend nearly all the convocations, taking a part in their exercises, and also to do a share of the work entrusted to joint committees, in anticipation of the approaching General Convention, and to attend several meetings of such committees in New York and Philadelphia.

I have consecrated three churches, viz.: St. Stephen's, Cecilton ; St. Andrew's, Sudlersville, and Shrewsbury Church re-built and restored. Other churches and chapels will soon be ready for consecration.

Our people have shown more zeal and enterprise in church building than in any other particular. In the last ten years we may note these facts :

Five churches, viz.: St. Stephen's, North Sassafras; Christ Church, St. Michael's ; Shrewsbury Church, Monie Church and Christ Church, Kent Island, have been rebuilt or replaced by better buildings.

Ten churches or chapels have been builded or are nearly finished, viz. : those at Cecilton, Port Deposit Taylor's Island, Millington, Galena, Sudlersville, Naswaddux, All Saints', Clabourne and Oxford. I do not count the two cheap buildings of Trinity Cathedral.

Other churches, especially Christ Church, Easton, have been greatly improved and beautified, and we have good reason to believe that the venerable churches in Chestertown and Church Hill will soon be restored at a considerable outlay.

At three of the churches excellent bells, just procured, invite worshipers to the house of God.

Within the same ten years valuable rectories have been secured in five places, viz.: at North East, Elkton, Trappe, Pocomoke City and Trinity Cathedral, Easton, while yet another is in progress in Coventry Parish.

Let it encourage us to remember that we have added to our churches and chapels three in every two years and to our rectories one in every two years.

Confirmations.

Confirmations have been held in twenty-five Parishes, as follows :

St. John's, Caroline,	6
North Elk,	13
North Sassafras,	3
Trinity, Cecil County,	3
St. James', Port Deposit,	5
Dorchester,	4
East New Market,	4
Great Choptank,	12
Chester,	6
St. Paul's, Kent County,	8
Shrewsbury,	19
Christ Church, Kent Island,	2
St. Luke's, Queen Anne's County,	15
St. Paul's, Queen Anne's County,	6
Wye,	3
Coventry,	9
Somerset (including Grace Church),	21
Pocomoke,	24
St. Michael's,	9
St. Peter's, Talbot County,	18
Whitemarsh,	12
Trinity Cathedral,	11
Spring Hill,	9
Salisbury,	29
All Hallows',	4

Being in all two hundred and fifty-five. This number is greater than usual, for the reason that no visitations were held in most of the Parishes during the year previous.

Clerical Changes.

The Rev. W. B. Everett has taken letters dimissory to Virginia, leaving Wye Parish vacant.

The Rev. C. E. Milnor resigned the rectorship of Worcester Parish and accepted that of St. Mary's, Whitechapel. Subsequently he resigned the latter, proposing to remove from the diocese ; both named parishes are still vacant.

The Rev. Henry A. Skinner, after resigning the charge of Trinity Parish, has taken letters dimissory to the diocese of Central Pennsylvania.

The Rev. Wm. Schouler has been received by letters dimissory from the diocese of Central New York, and is rector of Trinity Parish, Cecil County.

The Rev. D. N. Allen has resigned the rectorship of All Hallows' Parish, by reason of ill health.

The Rev. Harrison Cruikshank, M. D., was this morning ordained priest. Mr. Frank B. Adkins has been received as a candidate for priest's orders.

Diocesan Charities.

The report of the Diocesan Board of Missions exhibits satisfactory results for the year past, seven parishes having been assisted by its means.

It is evident that we must extend the sphere of our operations. I frankly confess that I am unable to find clergymen to supply our vacant parishes where five hundred dollars is the sole emolument that can be provided.

We hope indeed that some of the parishes now assisted by this fund may release us altogether, or at least ask that their stipend may be reduced. If the voluntary pledges of the parishes in Convention could be brought up to the full sum of two thousand dollars, the results would well repay us.

It is a question whether these stipends of ours should be given to those parishes which do not fulfil their own engagements to the Rector. If the Convention should think fit to order that the Bishop shall, before issuing his draft upon the Diocesan Treasurer for the quarter's salary in advance at any given date, await a certificate from the Parochial Treasurer that the salary promised by the parish for the quarter ending at that date has been paid, the immediate result would be some suffering and distress to the clergyman himself, but in the end it would subserve a valuable purpose. If a parish persistently fails to meet us thus on equal ground, it would be no injustice to it to require the Committee to pay the stipend accruing up to the next date and then withdraw it altogether.

The truth is that our experience all teaches us that where our appropriation is paid (as it always has been paid) punctually and

in advance, while the share of the parish is paid irregularly or not at all, the fret and worry that grow up well nigh frustrate the labours of the Missionary. I have not consulted my colleagues of the Missionary Board on this subject. I know well that some odium will be incurred if we presume to demand any reciprocity, and it is but fair that if any conditions are to be imposed on our beneficiaries, the Bishop and the Convention should assume the responsibility.

The Home for Friendless Children continues to prosper. The children are good, healthy and happy, and those who have been sent out into the world to make their living, maintain an excellent character. Surely, we can all unite heartily in this most excellent charity. They are emphatically Christ's little ones, and I hope this Convention will always love and cherish them.

Diocesan Officers.

I have confirmed the nominations made to me by the several **C**onvocations, as follows, viz. :

Rev. Lewis Walke, Dean of the Northern Convocation ; Rev. **T**heo. P. Barber, D. D., Dean of the Middle Convocation ; Rev. **J**ohn O. Barton, D. D., Dean of the Southern Convocation.

I appoint as the Examining Chaplains of the Diocese the **R**ev. Theo. P. Barber, D., D., the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., and **t**he Rev. E. F. Dashiell. I am under much obligation to them **f**or their assiduity and thoroughness in these examinations.

Summary.

Churches consecrated,	3
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Ordained Priest,	1

My official consent has been given to the consecration of three **B**ishops, viz. :

The Rt. Rev. Samuel S. Harris, D. D , Bishop of Michigan ; Rt. Rev. Thomas A. Starkey, D. D., Bishop of Northern New Jersey, and the Rt. Rev. John N. Galleher, D. D., Bishop of Louisiana.

The Provincial System and the General Convention.

Two years ago I laid before you some considerations touching the proposed re-arrangement of the Church into Provinces, and

The certificates of the Lay Delegates being laid upon the table of the Secretary, the list of such Delegates was read, when the following answered to their names :

I. L. Adkins, M. D.,
L. M. Bean,
Henry S. Coudon,
W. E. B. Faithful,
George R. Goldsborough,
John W. Ireland,
William McKenney,

S. S. McMaster,
J. B. R. Purnell, M. D.,
John R. Purnell,
Thos. F. J. Rider,
R. L. Spilman,
Wm. S. Walker.

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A quorum of both orders being present, the President announced that the Convention was duly organized, and the first business in order was the election of a Secretary.

The Rev. James A. Mitchell, being nominated, was elected the ballot being dispensed with.

The President appointed Mr. Wm. S. Walker, Assistant Secretary.

The President then announced the following Committees :

On Rights of Clergymen to Seats.—The Rev. Messrs. Roberts, Stryker and Hilliard.

On Elections.—Messrs. McMaster, Coudon and Spilman.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, it was

Resolved, That visiting clergymen, candidates for Holy Orders, and the vestry of St. Paul's Parish be invited to seats in this Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Leeds, from the Diocese of Maryland, and Mr. Frank B. Adkins, candidate for Holy Orders, thereupon took their seats in the Convention.

The President delivered the Report of the Managers of the Home of Friendless Children of the Eastern Shore of Maryland, which was thereupon read by the Secretary. (See Appendix.)

On motion, the Convention adjourned until 8 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

8 P. M.

Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. Schouler and Cruikshank.

At the close of Divine Service, the President called the Convention to order.

The Rev. Mr. Roberts, from the Committee on *Rights of Clergymen to Seats*, reported the following clergymen entitled to seats :

The Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, D. D., LL. D., the Revs. D. N. Allan, Theo. P. Barber, D. D., J. O. Barton, D. D., George F. Beaven, W. Y. Beaven, James L. Bryan, M. D., J. H. B. Brooks, J. H. Chesley, H. Cruikshank, M. D., E. F. Dashiell, W. G. Davenport, G. W. Easter, W. W. Greene, S. S. Hepbron, F. W. Hilliard, John Martin, E. K. Miller, J. A. Mitchell, S. C. Roberts, E. J. Stearns, D. D., J. V. Stryker, P. D. Thompson, Lewis Walke, A. R. Walker, J. N. Wattson, Robert Wilson, M. D.

Mr. McMaster, from the *Committee on Elections*, reported the following Lay Delegates entitled to seats :

Messrs. Luther Handy, L. M. Bean, J. W. Ireland, W. S. Walker, W. R. Hayward, M. W. Goldsborough, Robert L. Spilman, George R. Goldsborough, Thos. H. Matthews, I. L. Adkins, M. D., Henry S. Coudon, Geo. W. Cruikshank, R. E. McClenahan, Wm. M. Knight, Thos. F. J. Rider, Wm. McKenney, Richard B. Carmichael, Edward C. Legg, W. E. B. Faithful, Geo. M. Russum, G. W. Goldsborough, M. D., J. B. R. Purnell, M. D., John R. Purnell, S. S. McMaster, Geo. R. Dennis, M. D., William Stewart, M. D., Wm. H. Groscup, J. F. Bateman, John W. Cheezum.

"A fair basis of representation in our General Convention would seem to be something like this : let every diocese be represented as at present by its Bishop, and by one Clerical and one Lay Deputy. Wherever the number of parochial clergy exceeds fifty, let there be one additional Clerical and one additional Lay Deputy, and the same increase of representation for every fifty, after the number of clergy exceeds one hundred. I would restrict the number of Deputies in accordance with the number of *parochial* clergy in a diocese, or such as are employed in Church institutions, because, where there may happen to be, as is the case in a few dioceses, a large proportion of unemployed clergymen, it would not be fair to give the diocese the benefit of their presence. Such a change as this would not only be just, but it would so reduce the size of the General Convention, that we might hope to see its triennial sessions continue to be held for many years to come, and the working unity of the Church remain undisturbed.

"It is true that such a change as this would reduce our diocesan representation to a lower rate than on some grounds we might be entitled to claim. We have not fifty clergymen in this diocese, and are not likely to have at present, while there are but six dioceses in the land that contribute as much to the General Missions of the Church ; but this is not a sufficient reason for our objecting to the change that has been suggested.

"I am inclined still further to believe that the legislation of the General Council of the Church would be performed more promptly and wisely, if the responsibility devolved upon fewer men ; there might, perhaps, be somewhat less of eloquent and elaborate talk, but the practical good attained would console us for the loss of this.

The matter in question has already been brought before the large Diocese of Pennsylvania, and the smaller Diocese of Easton, and I would ask this Convention to give to the subject such consideration as in their judgment it may deserve."

The Parochial System.

This question of Provinces is, after all, but one element in the great question which stirs the minds of thoughtful men in all parts of the Church, viz. : How are we to adapt our methods so

as to meet fully the responsibilities of our position, as a Church, Catholic and Protestant, set to convert the erring and to guide the faith and morals of the multitudes in this new empire of the West?

We began a little company of churches on the seaboard. We have become a large family of dioceses, extending over almost a continent. The swaddling bands of infancy are proven to be too contracted for our increased dimensions. Many of our brethren are dissatisfied with our organic arrangements, and not a few whose loyalty to the Church cannot be questioned unite to complain that a narrow congregationalism defeats the best spiritual results of our holy ministrations.

The Bishop of Long Island, in a sermon entitled "Some Alleged Faults of the Ministry Considered," rehearses with much boldness some articles of indictment not unfrequently preferred against the ministry.

(1) It is blamed because it has allowed the average power and influence of the pulpit to decline.

(2) It is blamed because it is lacking in self-sacrifice and readiness to endure hardship.

(3) It is blamed for its want of boldness and independence in thought and action.


(4) It is blamed because it has allowed the boundaries which ought to separate the Church from the world to bleach out, and compromises of principle and practice to organize themselves within the Body of Christ.

(5) It is blamed because of its inefficiency and shallowness in the cure of souls.

(6) It is blamed for want of enterprise, and for its feeble talent for organization.

You will bear with me if I quote at length some of his reflections which deserve a more lasting place than belong to them as issued in a pamphlet.

"It is a fact that we have, in this century, octupled our bishops and clergy, our dioceses and parishes, our communicants and offerings. It is a fact that we have in a yet greater ratio advanced in social influence and public prominence. But it is also a fact that in the same time the population and resources of the country have multiplied not eight but twelve fold. It is a fact, too, that we have had not only unexampled opportunities of



growth, but equally unexampled incentives to make the most of them. In footing up the results, we may justly claim that our difficulties shall be duly considered. To recite these in detail would be a familiar story. It is enough to recall in a general way the extra weights imposed upon us by the logic of events. It is known that this Church had a bad start in the ecclesiastical race ; that it began with a polity stifled and mutilated by the folly and neglect of the Mother Church ; that it came out of the Revolution saddled with popular prejudices ; that it took one generation to establish the fact that it had a right to exist on American soil, and to prove that its growth would not necessarily endanger the liberty of the Republic. It is known, too, that it required another generation to soften the rancorous hate of sectarian opposition to prelates and prayer-books. All this is known and admitted. And yet let our hindrances and trials be rated as they may, who will claim that the growth, the power, the influence of the Church are to-day what they ought to be ? That would be an uncandid tongue that would portray our past as one of glory and might, or that would represent it as abounding in tokens of aggressive enterprise, or of strong and energetic methods for rallying the hearts and wills of God's people, or for turning to the best account sources of power always latent in Christ's Body. We find proofs enough of a quiet, orderly, conservative spirit, and of a due sense of corporate dignity ; but, alas ! how few of the consciousness of a great mission to the rising empires of this continent, or of a solemn and resolute purpose to achieve it. Certainly the retrospect is not inspiring. It is almost barren of kindling memories, and quite devoid of freshening, salient enthusiasms, that roll up against adverse winds and a darkened sky, flooding torpid souls and waste places with holy fire.

“ There have been some, not many, commanding leaders, who

‘ Have, like dauntless, apostolic heroes fought.’

There have been some, not many, victories worthy of the soldiers of Christ.

“ Nor is the outlook now as hopeful as it might be. We are still troubled with lame methods and a defective organization. As for money, we somehow fail to get what we need, though, in proportion to its numbers, ours is the wealthiest of Communions

in this land. Our giving is meagre and spasmodic ; so much so that every leading interest is cramped, if not crippled. As for men, there is poor economy in our use of them. How many are wrongly placed ! How many not placed at all ! How many in the rear that should be at the front, and *vice versa* ! What wastage of gifts, because there is no authority to distribute them wisely ! Vestries choose, bishops acquiesce. Pew-holders are omnipotent, the Episcopate powerless. As for our Schools, Colleges, Seminaries, what a record is there ! Not one of them is equipped as it should be. Not one of them is meeting the demands of the hour ; most of them holding on amid struggle and discouragement, hoping that something will turn up to better their fortunes. What a lack of concert of action and concentration of purpose ! Means enough and to spare, and yet how little that is available. Our missions at home and abroad—well, why linger to speak of them ? It is an oft-told tale of hindrance and delay. We have individual churchmen whose private income is larger than the whole amount given for their support. One-third, at least, of our parishes do not give a dollar to maintain them. The life of our Missionary Bishops is one prolonged cry for help ; but there is no answer, save one that takes the heart out of them.

“ Though so far on in our history, we have not yet determined practically the relations of the Diocese to its parishes, whether it creates them or they create it. And so we have yet to settle what is the proper ecclesiastical unit in our polity. We are still frightened by the ghost of Episcopal authority, practically conceding to it only the power which personal character gives it, and starting back sometimes in wild alarm when the office attempts to put forth some sign of genuine sway. We have been spreading little by little over the continent. Aiming to be a National Church, we still linger in the mould and wear the fetters of what amounts to a single Province. * * * * *

“ Shall I be told that, in pursuing this strain, I am disparaging my Spiritual Mother, and calling in question the fair fame of the Bride of Christ ? God forbid ! It is with eyes wet with tears that I look, and with a reluctant, stammering tongue that I thus dwell upon her record in this land and in this age. Let the truth be told, however it cuts and blisters, so it be told in love. To see things as they are is the first step toward any change for

the better. Reform we can, reform we must, or the banner of conquest will pass into other hands."

In seeking to ascertain the causes of weakness, the Parochial System has been subjected to a critical examination of unusual severity. In Episcopal charges and in the columns of our Church journals, the discussion has been very thorough, while certain Presbyters of weight and influence have thought it well to unite together to keep the matter before the Church and to seek some remedy for the ills complained of.

Some of the counts in the indictment are very serious:

1. It is said that while we deny the congregational theory, congregationalism is the practical rule of the Church. The sovereign unit is the parish, not the Diocese. The Diocese has ceased to be a living organism of many members, rightly compacted together, with power to devise policies intended to promote the greatest good of the greatest number. It is an artificial compact of parochial sovereignties, united by the slender threads of vicinage and mutual convenience, rather than by any strong bands of loyalty and duty.

And, of course, the temptation is to put the welfare of the whole body in a subordinate place. The parish begrudges any expenditure outside of its own limits, and resists such levies as those for the Convention Fund, Missions General and Diocesan, Clergy Relief, Church Schools and the like as oppressive and unreasonable. In large cities, congregational rivalry usurps the place of a simple love for souls, and money is expended in seeking to "draw a crowd," which might be applied to seeking thousands of lost sheep who have no shepherd.

2. Another consequence is a mournful neglect of the poor, the ignorant and the vicious. Here is a certain region, marked out by definite metes and bounds. There are, it may be, two or three thousand souls within it. Now, if there were some central board of direction, such as in olden times was found in the Bishop and his circle of Presbyters, and if the faithful gave in their tithes to a common treasury, the most obvious policy would be to provide services, without regard to the rate of contribution, accessible to all the persons living within those parochial limits.

But practically, a few families of the better sort club together their pew-rents and their contributions to "hire" a clergyman for their proper need. His time and talents belong to those who

hire him. To them he must officiate morning and evening. However great may be the darkness, however narrow the abilities of some outlying portion of the parish, it would be a breach of faith for the clergyman to absent himself from the immediate service of those who pay the salary.

Equality or equalization was the Apostolic rule. Thus St. Paul writes: "I mean not that other men be eased and ye burdened, but by an equality, that now at this time your abundance may be a supply for their want; that their abundance also may be a supply for your want, that there may be equality; as it is written, He that had gathered much had nothing over, and he that gathered little had no lack."

It is asked, with force, suppose believers in those early days had organized into self-supporting parishes. Suppose there had been no such equalization of resources by which the full basket should supplement the empty one in the ministrations of grace, would it have been possible for the Church to accomplish her task?

3. It is further said that the vestries are tempted to usurp the spiritual functions which the law of Christ and his Church expressly confide to the clergy.

A vestry, for instance, endeavours to control the doctrine and the ritual of the parish. Now it claims the right to extraordinary usages and ceremonies unusual in the Church, and now it refuses to the rector his just discretion in the conduct of divine service and the interpretation of rubrics. Some members of the congregation will leave the Church if something is sung which they prefer to say, or else the organist is recalcitrant and the choir is rebellious, if the clergyman refuses to permit them, with a few untrained voices, to attempt chorals and fugues. And there is scarce an instance in which a Bishop has interposed to urge a churchly rendering of the service or to enforce the observance of rubrics or to repress novelties, that he has not encountered a storm of obloquy.

And it is even true of spiritual censures; matters to be guarded with the most discreet reserve; matters to be kept in all confidence among the persons directly concerned, even in these, the vestries claim to advise or to revise the acts of Priest or Bishop.

There is a record in this diocese of certain proceedings seventy-five years ago, well worth preserving for antiquarian reasons, but of special interest as showing the grave mistakes into which good men may fall, under a mistaken sense of duty.

In the year 1806, the Rev. Wm. M. Stone (afterwards Bishop Stone) was rector of Stepney Parish. He was then about twenty-eight years of age, and it may be inferred was too modest to dispute prerogatives assumed by the vestry.

We find the vestry greatly exercised about certain persons who had ceased to frequent the Holy Communion and who attended other ministrations. First of all the vestry directed the Registrar to address a written communication to all such persons, "requesting an explicit answer from each, whether they intend to comply with the rules and regulations of our Church, or whether they wish to be struck off our communion list."

Presently we find a letter from one of these persons, the original being attached with a waxen seal to the record book, and the answer of the vestry appended thereto:

"Dear Sir,

"I reseved your Letter and you want to know the Resen that I with drew from your communion which was because I saw the aulter surrounded with drunkerdes and all sorts of fashens and that hurt my felinges to see the canons tranppelled under foot. I thought when I sined them that theay wood be put in force but I see that the Vestery stand and Look on and never say a word, as if theay Wear not plast as stewards over the Church.

"My dear frends, Remember that you and I Booth hav to stand at the bar of God to giv a strict account of all our stewardships. do My dear frends strive to watch over your flok better. I think that if you felt the lov for por siners that I do, you wod watch over them betar

"glory to God I know that I have that wittiness in my hart that I am born of God and I am determed thugh grace to spend the Rest of my days in the Sarves of God. Now my dear frends, I cant help but pray for you. May God of his infinit power send his convictin and sanctifying power on you all and mak the plac awfull on the account of his presents.

"O my God, remember the Vestry of Stepney Parish and inabele them to watch over their flok better that you and I may

met at the Right hand of God there to shout and wonder at his grace to all eternity.

“ Dear frends pray for me that I may not turn bak to the world. I can say no mor but commit you in the hands of that judg that knows your hart and mine and this from your loving communican in sole and sperrit X. Y.”

“ JANUARY 17th, 1807.”

Addressed to Mr. George D. Atkinson, Lower ferry.

The Registrar of the Vestry replies as follows :

“ FEBRUARY 2nd, 1807.

“ Sir,

“ The Vestry of Stepney Parish at a former meeting, on examining their communion, found that some of that number had withdrawn and connected themselves with other denominations, without offering any reason to their fellow-members for so doing, when a canon of our church expressly called on the rector of the parish to make an annual return of his communicants.

How was his duty to be complied with, without being furnished with a list by his Vestry, and how were the Vestry to furnish a list without knowing the persons who composed that communion ? To accomplish this, the Vestry calls on those who have for some considerable time withdrawn themselves, and whom report has said were connected with other societies. To know from themselves whether they had withdrawn or not, was the object of the former notice. We state this to show by what the Vestry were influenced and as a means to produce conviction on your mind that you have done what you ought not to have done. We will ask you in what other way we could have done it and we will further ask you if it was not done in the spirit of meekness that breathed the language of Christian love. You may alledge it was an intimation of Schism. Were you a man of information, we would enter elaborately into a definition of the term and show by authority from the time of St. Paul to the present day that you are expressly guilty of that crime. We think it unnecessary to quote authors or authorities on this occasion, as you may alledge that it was done to answer the particular purpose. We will, therefore, to make it irresistible and conclusive, refer you to the discipline of the Church you now profess on that subject, and ask yourself if that can be applicable to you in your present

situation without being equally applicable to you in the situation you were in. We will further ask you, if you were determined to break through all the social ties, human and divine, by which one man is tied to another, could you not have done it without prostrating and charging others with crimes the most black and enormous?

“Would nothing short of this do for your justification? Were we permitted to delineate a line of conduct for you, it would be this: As a member of the Church, if you saw drunkards and people of all kinds of fashions (to make use of your own term) crowding that communion, was it not your duty to have communicated that to the body, who were authorized to correct these errors? How do you know but the previous admonitions were given, and if they did not prove salutary, that compulsory measures would be adopted? Did you go into these enquiries? Such an enquiry would have been zeal seasoned with knowledge. But how is it that none of this extraordinary love for sinners ever appeared until a justification was called for?

“We well know that it is contrary to the revealed will of God, that the justification of one poor sinner can be established on the condemnation of others. We are old enough in the world and sufficiently acquainted with mankind to know that the lips and hearts of men may be at opposite points. Mankind may make profession of the knowledge of their sins forgiven, and may say they know they are born of God, but the Gospel tells, ‘they that commit sin are of the devil.’

“We wish not to be mistaken in this business. We acknowledge we feel as men. We also wish to feel as Christians, and we are also bound to feel as the representatives of the Episcopal Church, and as the guardians of that Church we are bound to support its dignity upon Christian principles.

“We would fain offer our prayers for you, but if we are the drunkards represented, the same Scripture that tells us ‘the prayers of the righteous (man) availeth much,’ tells us also, ‘the prayers of the wicked are an abomination.’

“Whatever our opinion of each other may be, this we can confidently say, that if you are the Christian in reality you profess to be, you will cheerfully meet your offended brethren to remove every cause of offence—we feel equally ready to meet you—under the command of our Lord and Master, who says, if thy brother

offend, forgive him (viz.: when a sense of penitence is manifest). We have been thus lengthy on this subject to convince you of your error and have unanimously consented that the hand of lenity should be extended to you.

“We therefore inform you that if you will meet the Vestry at Green Hill on the first Monday in March next, and there make such confessions as shall be deemed satisfactory to them, so as to remove the defamatory charge exhibited in your reply, you will be treated with as much lenity as the case will admit of. If you do not, you will be excommunicated from the pulpit in every Church in the Parish, and your letter reserved as a justification of our conduct to posterity.

“Signed by order of the Vestry of Stepney Parish,

“GEORGE D. ATKINSON,

“*Registrar.*”

The conclusion of the matter was at a Vestry meeting held March 2d, 1807. I substitute, however, letters for the names of the persons who were subjected to discipline. In a list of “Subscribers to the Canons,” I find the name of the writer of the first letter, whom I have designated as X. Y. Black lines are drawn around it, and an annotation inserted in the margin, “Excommunicated.”

The final proceedings are as follows :

MARCH 2nd, 1807.

Agreeable to an adjournment the Vestry of Stepney Parish met at Green Hill Church. Present—

WILLIAM M. STONE, *Rector.*

GEORGE ROBERTSON,

GEORGE JONES,

GEORGE AIRES,

JOHN JONES, of BENJAMIN,

HULES CROCKETT,

GEORGE DASHIELL,

Vestrymen.

The Vestry then proceeded to determine the case of Captain A. B., who appeared agreeable to summons, when it was unanimously agreed that he should receive a reprimand from the Rector before the Vestry, which was accordingly done in the most affectionate and Christian style, and a prayer to the throne of grace suitable on the occasion.

The case of B. C. was then taken in consideration by the Vestry, and after due examination it was unanimously agreed that he should be stricken off our communion list, which was accordingly done.

The case of C. D next appeared and was taken in consideration in due form.

Resolved unanimously, That for his unChristian conduct and refusing to meet the Vestry after receiving the summons, that he be publicly excommunicated from the pulpit throughout the Parish, and the Rector is hereby directed to do the same.

The case of X. Y. was then taken up in due form, after waiting some time to see if he would appear to the second summons which had been served.

Resolved unanimously, That he be publicly excommunicated, and the Rector is hereby directed to announce the same from the pulpit throughout the Parish.

Resolved further, That his defamatory and unChristian letter, together with the reply from this body, be sealed in this book, and the Registrar is directed to do the same, and safe keep them in the Registry Book of Stepney Parish as a memorial to posterity and a justification for our conduct in the above determination.

The Vestry then took up the case of D. E., an egregious offender of the rules and regulations of the Episcopal Church, who had been served with the second notice to attend the Vestry and did not appear.

Resolved unanimously, That the said D. E. receive a public censure from the pulpit in Green Hill and Tyaskin Churches for the above violation.

The Vestry then directed the Registrar to enquire of E. F., who had joined another profession, whether he intended to continue in the Episcopal Church or whether he would be struck off, enabling thereby the Rector to return an accurate list of his communicants at the next Convention, agreeably to the canons of the Episcopal Church.

The Vestry then adjourned to meet on the 30th inst., being Easter Monday and according to law.

GEO. D. ATKINSON, *Registrar.*

This is indeed an unusual stretch of prerogative. But some errors are best recognized in caricature and exaggeration. The danger still exists of irresponsible persons invading the province

of those in Holy Orders. The clergy cannot too carefully abstain from surrendering to the Vestry directly or indirectly the determination of cases of discipline.

4. It is further argued that the Parochial system, as at present administered, is unfriendly to the development of manliness and independence in the clergy.

The minister is a steward in God's house, and it is required of stewards that a man be found faithful. A faithful clergyman must preach unpalatable truth sometimes. He must rebuke those who are impatient of rebuke and advise those who resent any criticism. Cowardice, unwillingness to offend, the disposition to prophesy smooth things are, even under favorable circumstances, among the temptations of our calling.

But, too often, the clergyman finds that his professional existence, as it were, and his usefulness as well, depend upon the consent and favor of a few. The vestry may be largely made up of men who are not professedly devout. Some few, by virtue of wealth or social position, expect to control the ecclesiastical policy. To preach the necessary but unpalatable truth, to enforce discipline in the case of the influential and wealthy, is perhaps to imperil the means of subsistence for his family and to be placed perforce upon the sad list of unemployed clergy.

Attention is called in this connection to the falling off of the number of candidates for Holy Orders, especially among those who belong to the more cultivated classes of society. Parental tenderness is reluctant to see a child enter upon a career where he will have great responsibilities and but little discretion in meeting them, where to become unpopular is to be left helpless.

5. And if it be argued that this system is an inevitable concession to the spirit of the age and to the analogy of republican institutions, we are pointed to the example of the Methodist bodies, controlling large numbers and wielding great influence.

With them, the preachers are designated to their several charges by a central authority, which disposes of them with chief regard to the general good. The preacher is not removable for whim or caprice, but has a moral support behind him. Moreover, in these great societies, the governing body does not beg, but requires of each of its constituent churches or circuits its fair contribution to the general good. Conference dues must be paid. So much for Missions, so much for the Necessitous Fund, *i. e.*, for

the Superannuated, Widows and Orphans, so much for General Expenses and Salaries. I asked a Methodist friend what would be the consequence if his congregation failed to answer these demands. He replied that any such failure would so reduce its standing in the list of appointments as to affect seriously the selection of the minister assigned to it.

I have thus suggested to you but a meagre outline of much that has been said and written upon a subject which is perhaps the most absorbing topic of the day among the many thoughtful persons who cannot consent to dismiss as a mere chimera the hope that this dear Church of ours may yet rise to the conception of Catholicity in one of its aspects, viz.: compassion on the multitude and the sowing beside all waters instead of cultivating the few favoured spots in our territory.

Some go so far as to say that we need an ecclesiastical revolution, wiping away the most part of our present organic arrangements.

I cannot think that this is in anywise possible; and, if it were possible, it is always the wiser part to reform what we have rather than violently to substitute for it a system of mere theory which has not been tried.

There are several considerations which have restrained me from pronouncing our parochial system, with all its defects, as so entirely objectionable that it ought to be destroyed:

1. A certain proportion of these evils is fairly to be attributed to the absence of endowments and to our dependence on free-will offerings, pew-rents and the like for the support of the clergy. The power of the purse will assert itself under such circumstances, and it is by moral influence chiefly that its excessive demands can be resisted.

2. Then again, however faulty this system may be, it is our misfortune rather than our fault. We began in this country, an Episcopal Church without Bishops or Synods. The Parish was the only recognizable unit, and the Vestry the only religious corporation. It is no wonder that they conceived undue ideas of their rights and prerogatives, no wonder that a sort of independence has crept in unawares.

3. Moreover, our civil status is inextricably interwoven, at least in the older States, with the Parochial System. Our charters rest upon it. Parishes have rights and immunities

secured to them by the law of the State and that with the consent of the Diocesan Conventions.

Nothing could be more unwise than to disturb these vested rights unless by unanimous consent. In this State, we have all the rights and immunities and all the facilities for holding property that we can reasonably ask. It would be a rash experiment to invite the State's action in any revolutionary change, unless we were entirely agreed among ourselves.

4. I would also lay much emphasis upon the fact that the Parochial System, as by law established in the Dioceses of the State of Maryland, has a feature, which is, so far as I am informed, unique, and which is found very useful practically in awakening a due sense of responsibility.

Our parishes are not sporadic organizations, occupying selected fields. The State, under a law still in force, is divided into parishes, with definite metes and bounds. There is not a dwelling in this Diocese that is not within the geographical bounds of some parish.

Intrusion within these limits is distinctly prohibited. The Rector and Vestry are responsible to God and to His Church for making adequate provision for all within these limits who will accept the ministrations of the Church.

A conscientious clergyman recognizes that the mere Church in which he is wont to officiate, is not his cure. He is a debtor (as no other clergyman can be debtor ; for no other clergyman can officiate within these bounds without his express authorization) to all the souls, dwelling within the parish territory, who need and will accept his ministry.

Any discussion, such as the foregoing, is of little worth unless it leads to some practical inference. I have sought to answer the question to myself and I venture to guide your thoughts in the same direction ; what is possible to be done, without any violent re-adjustment of our present organic arrangements, to make them more efficient in promoting the glory of God and the good of souls :

1. And first of all we must remember the lesson of our childhood, applicable to our work in common as well as to our individual task, " thou art not able to do these things of thyself, nor to walk in the commandments of God and to serve Him,

without His special grace, which thou must learn, at all times, to call for, by diligent prayer."

No machinery can create power ; it only applies and directs power. Very defective machinery can accomplish valuable results, if only the spirit of the living creature is in the wheels.

The voluntary system of offerings was found adequate in days when men counted not what they had as their own and took joyfully the spoiling of their goods. So, also, wherever men are diligently engaged in acts of personal service, they forget to be judges of the law.

We cannot wind up the Church, like a clock, at certain periods and expect it to run in the intervals in good time. We must, day by day, seek for the fresh access of gracious influence.

So, then, we have need to cultivate a larger measure of spirituality in ourselves and among our people. If we can persuade our flocks to have family prayers, to read devout books, to resort to us more freely for counsel, to come more frequently and more heedfully to the Holy Communion, to engage personally in Sunday Schools, Mission Services, and in efforts to relieve distress and to bring the wanderers to the Church, we should greatly mitigate the evils complained of. In other words, we must make more of that part of our office, which advises and influences.

We entered upon our Diocesan career with fifteen hundred communicants. Since that time the confirmations have amounted to two thousand, or rather, lack but a score of that number. Could all these two thousand have been carefully guarded and tended, assigned to active Christian duty as well as admitted to Christian privilege, how much would we have gained !

Let us write it upon our hearts that the mere aggressive work of the Church yields in importance, and in difficulty too, to the serious task of lifting up ourselves and our people to true saintliness of living. Even if we had endowments, equalization of funds, a better adjustment of powers and responsibilities, without the earnest culture of the inner life, all would be in vain.

2. And then, we must pertinaciously and earnestly contend for the duty of loyalty to the Diocese, and for the superiority of its claims to those of any particular interest. We cannot employ force, but we must use all moral suasion to persuade people that the efficiency of the Diocese as such is an indispensable condition to the healthful parish life.

The Episcopal and Mission Funds, the provisions for Clergy Relief, widows and orphans, and for training candidates for Orders ; as also for the printing necessary in the communications of the Diocese, and for the convenient assembling of Standing Committees, Mission Board, examiners in theology ; it should be a matter of pride with every Parish to meet its fair proportion of these necessary expenditures.

Personal sacrifice may well be made for the Diocesan good. We should be careful to avoid introducing anything, without grave necessity, into our deliberations which can mar our harmony ; and if, when offices are to be dispensed, any may deem that his merits and services are not fairly estimated, let him not prefer himself to the place of honor, but give room to another with a ready mind.

3. We have need to contend for the mutual recognition of the rights and powers in the several departments of the Church. The Diocesan Convention is limited in its powers ; let it not attempt by an indirection to enact rubrics. The Bishop is under the law ; let him exercise his authority not arbitrarily but according to law. The Clergy have taken a very solemn vow of canonical obedience. Let them not minimize it until it becomes meaningless. The Vestry has the control of property, the management of finances, the election of a clergyman. It is for the Bishop and the Rector to respect scrupulously these prerogatives, and so also should the people respect them. It is not right, by congregational meetings, petitions circulated in the community, and the like to take out of the hands of the Vestry the authority confided to them.

And let us never forget that spiritual things belong to spiritual persons. The doctrine, the discipline, the ritual are confided to the Bishop and the Priest. They have taken solemn oaths concerning them and are accountable for the right discharge of the duties relating. Let no vestryman or parishioner attempt to control the spiritualities of the parish, for the old word is as binding now as ever it was : "Obey them that are over you in the Lord and submit yourselves, for they watch for your souls as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy and not with grief." Alas ! what grief, when one congregation resists Episcopal authority because they prefer a rite or use of their own ! Or when a clergyman is required to carry out some ritual in things

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In the same old records of Stepney Parish, I find that in the year 1809, the Vestry undertook, most wisely, to raise an endowment fund for the maintenance of a clergyman. It seems to have been heartily entered into. There were about a hundred and fifty subscribers, of sums ranging from \$300 to \$1. The whole amount subscribed was more than \$7,000.

We have now no remnant of that fund. The Church people of Stepney have dwindled down to a very few, and the parish has had no minister for long years.

Surely, if such an experiment were to be repeated nowadays, the Convention would be the best custodian of such a fund.

In conclusion, I can but bear my testimony to the fidelity, laboriousness and self-denial of the clergy of the Diocese. Nearly everywhere I see the evidences of earnest work and often under not a few discouragements. I find the clergy respected and beloved in the communities where they reside ; not one of them is extreme in opinion or fanciful in ritual or careless of the order and decency which should prevail in the house of God.

I trust that the day may never come when party lines shall be drawn in this Diocese. Differences of opinion and accidental antagonisms cannot always be avoided. But if there be consuming zeal for the honor of the Master and a tender compassion for erring, perishing souls around us, mutual forbearance will scarce require an effort.

HENRY C. LAY,
Bishop of the Diocese.

CENTREVILLE, *June 2d*, 1880.

The Rev. Dr. Stearns, from the Committee appointed at the last Convention to confer with a Committee of the Diocese of Maryland, and to provide for a joint Commemoration of the close of the First One Hundred Years since the Primary Convention of the Church in Maryland, presented the following Report, upon the reading of which the Committee was, on their own motion, discharged :

The Committee appointed at the last Convention to confer with a Committee of the Diocese of Maryland, and to provide for a joint Commemoration of the close of the First One Hundred Years since the Primary Convention of the Church in Maryland. . . respectfully report that steps were early taken to make such arrangements as should be mutually convenient and

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HENRY C. LAY,
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McMaster and Dr. Purnell.

presented his Report, which
Accounts. (See Appendix)

and of the Diocese presented
the Committee on Accounts:

Funds of the Diocese respectfully

the Convention, in trust a sum
in Pocomoke Parish.

This money, \$1,284.92, has been duly paid by the executor, and with our consent has been expended in the purchase of a house with three acres of land for the use of the Rector.

2. We have also received from the same source and for the like object, in Coventry Parish, the sum of \$228.92, which is invested in a mortgage in Talbot County.

3. The Bishop has placed in our hands the sum of \$89.49, collected before his coming into the Diocese, and heretofore lying at interest, to be used for the benefit of Stepney Parish.

This amount is included in the mortgage just mentioned.

This mortgage, for the sum of \$321.25 (being the Coventry and Stepney funds united), we have since transferred to E. J. Davy, as the representative of said Coventry Parish, he having first paid to us the value of the Stepney portion, with accrued interest.

4. Mrs. A. M. Hollyday bequeathed by will twenty shares of stock in the Easton National Bank, for the benefit of the Bishop's Church.

We have directed the Treasurer to transfer said stock to the corporation of "Trinity Cathedral."

All of which is respectfully submitted,

HENRY C. LAY,
ERASTUS F. DASHIELL,
I. L. ADKINS,
J. F. BATEMAN,
THOMAS HUGHLETT.

Mr. Walker presented the report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, which was referred to the Committee on the Episcopal Fund. (See Appendix.)

Rev. Dr. Barber, from the Board of Diocesan Missions, presented the Report of the Board, which, on his motion, was made the order of the day for to-morrow at 8 o'clock P. M.

The Convention then adjourned.

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THURSDAY, *June 3*, 1880.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. Hilliard and Roberts.

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HENRY C. LAY,

For the Committee.

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following Resolution was

WHEREAS, This Convention is entitled, by the bequest of Juliana Blunt and by the action of the Bishop and Convention of the Diocese of Maryland (see Journal of the Convention of Easton for 1874, page 94) to an annual payment on account of the Episcopal Fund of fifty dollars from the Trustees of said Juliana Blunt, which annual sum has ceased to be paid,

Resolved, That the Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell, Wm. McKenny and R. B. Carmichael be appointed a Committee to confer with the Vestry of Christ Church, Kent Island, Trustees of Juliana Blunt, and to report to the next Convention what measures may properly be taken to secure to the Episcopal Fund the benefit of said bequest.

The Registrar of the Diocese presented the following Report :

The Registrar of the Diocese begs leave to report that among several valuable contributions of recent date, special mention is due to a "History of Shrewsbury Parish, Kent County," carefully prepared in MS. by the Rev. Wm. J. Clark, a former Rector, and by him generously presented to our archives.

Thanks are also due to the Rev. W. Y. Beaven for the second volume of "Ecclesiastical Contributions to the History of the Church in the United States," by the Rev. Dr. Hawks.

The Registrar has classified and accurately recorded the volumes and pamphlets in his possession in a suitable book presented by the Bishop for that purpose.

It is desirable to bind the Journals of the last six Conventions in a volume uniform with our previous records. And many valuable pamphlets would be better preserved if thus bound and indexed.

The Registrar asks that a small amount be appropriated for this object.

Respectfully submitted,

THEO. P. BARBER,
Registrar of the Diocese.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barton, the sum of \$10 was appropriated for the purpose indicated in the Report.

Messrs. L. M. Bean and J. W. Ireland asked to be excused from further attendance upon the sessions of the Convention, which request was granted.

On motion, the Convention took a recess until half-past eleven.

11.30 A. M.

At half-past eleven, the President called the Convention to order.

The Rev. Mr. Hilliard presented the following Report of the Special Committee on Parochial Relations :

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

That Committee, to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address ~~as relates to the~~ Parochial System, as at present existing in this Church, beg ~~me respectfully~~ to report.

Your Committee hasten to express, at the outset, their hearty concurrence in the practical suggestions of the Bishop, as to the advisability of wisely ~~using~~ rather than abolishing or radically changing that system, so far as they ~~apply to the condition of things in our own diocese.~~ The division of all our ~~territory by parochial lines,~~ so that there is no part of it which is not included ~~in some parishes,~~ assimilates our condition to that of the Church of England, ~~and retains for us the Parochial System proper,~~ with which what exists in ~~most parts of the country is constantly confounded,~~ while, in point of fact, the ~~our things~~ have very little in common. Consider a rector as entitled and ~~required by law,~~ which both Church and State will recognize and enforce, to do ~~all that which it lies within the province of a missionary of this Church to do,~~ for the whole of the section of a territory with distinct metes and bounds, and ~~was introduce~~ an element distinctly hostile to the bold congregationalism which ~~forms the essential feature of what is commonly known as the Parochial~~ ~~System~~

It we can keep out the spirit of this congregationalism, secure for the diocese and its head their proper place in the affection and consciences of the people, and make the vestry an efficient working body with just those functions which by our State law are very strictly and very wisely laid down, instead of a body with few or no duties, but with unlimited rights, to be held in abeyance till their is an opportunity to make the rector feel that his only function is to be agreeable to those whom the Church has bidden him to teach and premonish, warn and rebuke them, notwithstanding certain grave financial difficulties, which will still remain to be met, the Parochial System, as we have it, may be made, in the judgment of your Committee, an efficient instrument for doing Church work in the national parts of the true unit, the Diocese.

When our Committee look beyond the limits of our Diocese, as it is
in view of the approach of the General Convention,
they see in the congregational system, which
and principles of organization and practical work,
of the system, which are, in their judgment,
the very elements of a true Church polity, and absolutely
with them.

~~They do not, however, profess to see any practical means of removing the~~
~~in a constitutional manner~~ nor is it their business to look for those means.

There is, however, a department of Church work in which we are all interested and in which we are, in our own measure, responsible, since the General Conference has control of all its operations—we mean the department of Foreign Missions.

It is true, as has been supposed, by those who have hitherto written and spoken of the National System, that it had no existence within our mission-
house, and indeed the most indefatigable and perhaps the ablest of
our ministers, who alluded, on one occasion, to our domestic mis-
ery, in an address, with all their hardships, were at least free to work for
the constituencies of vestries. It is true

that the Bishops and Convocations of some of the jurisdictions have taken such steps as they were able, in the absence of authority to enact canons, to organize missions, from which many of the objectionable features of the Parochial System were carefully excluded. Nevertheless, many parishes do exist, and it is within the knowledge of your Committee, one of whose members has labored "at the front," that in these parishes, and even in such missions many of the missionaries are subjected, in a degree far greater than is known at the East, to hindrances in their work, arising from the control of the purse, a control by ungodly men in positions of social power and influence. If the Church knew how our domestic mission work is blocked and thwarted from this one cause alone, she would not long delay to apply a remedy, at once radical and thorough.

Your Committee beg leave to offer the following Resolutions :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be tendered to the Bishop for boldly and faithfully grappling with a question which, though difficult and forbidding, must be met and solved, if the Church is to do her work faithfully and successfully, and for his wise suggestions concerning our own duty with regard to it.

Resolved, That the deputies of this diocese to the General Convention be requested to use whatever means may be found available, through the action of that Body, as the Board of Missions of the Church, for making our domestic missionaries wholly dependent for their support upon the Board of Missions, acting through the respective Missionary Bishops.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS W. HILLIARD,
JOHN O. BARTON,
ROBERT WILSON,
I. L. ADKINS,
GEO. M. RUSSUM.

The first Resolution proposed by the Committee was thereupon adopted.

The hour having arrived for the election of the Standing Committee and other officers, the Convention proceeded to the election of a Standing Committee.

The President appointed as tellers, Rev. H. Cruikshank and Ed. C. Legg.

Consent being given, while the tellers counted the vote, Hon. R. B. Carmichael offered two Resolutions, which, on his motion, were made the order of the day after the conclusion of the elections.

The Rev. Dr. Stearns, from the Committee on Canons of the last Convention to consider that part of the Bishop's Address of the year before which relates to the Provincial System, presented the following Report :

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

The ~~subject~~ of the last Convention, to whom was recom-
mended the Bishop's Address to the Convention of the year before
the Provincial System, and to the basis of Representation in the
Convention, have given it their careful consideration.

While all are in accord as to the seriousness of the difficulties
connected with the subject of the Provincial System, they do not think it
advisable that this Convention is called on at this time to

consider, however, that of the basis of Representation in the
Convention. The case is different, as the proposition of the Address is
entirely immaterial to this Diocese.

It is proposed that, instead of every Diocese having, as now, four
Deputies, each Diocese with less than fifty Clergy
embracing thirty-one out of the forty-eight Dioceses
shall have one Clerical and one Lay Deputy; each Diocese with fifty
to one hundred, two Deputies of each order; with a hundred
to two hundred, three of each order; with two hundred or
more, four of each order.

If these rules were adopted, the Representation of the several Dioceses,
as last reported, would be as follows: New York, New Jersey,
Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Maryland, Massachusetts, three of each order; Western New York, Central
New Jersey, Central Pennsylvania, Northern New
York, North Carolina, Ohio and Wisconsin, two of each order;
the remaining Dioceses, only one of each order; making, in all,
146 of both; whereas, as at present constituted,
there are 384 of each order, or 768 of both.

Is the change recommended? On grounds of expediency,
it is a ~~question~~. The grounds of expediency are two; the
cost of the Convention as at present constituted, and the *expense* of its
maintenance. The hospitable provision that is wont to be made for
the Convention, which imposes, it is said, "an unreasonable tax" on
the Church at the Convention meets."

The obvious answer is, that the "tax" is, to say the
least, in proportion to the numbers and wealth of the Church.
It has been all along from the beginning; and that
in regard to the expense, considerable competition among
the Churches for the privilege of providing for the Convention. If, however,
there were a serious objection, there are two ways of lessening
the basis of Representation. One is by making the meet-
ings less frequent; say, every five years, instead of every
three. This would effect a permanent reduction of two-fifths of *all* the
expense, not only the heavy draft on the hospitality of the Church-
at the Convention meets, but also the taxation of the sev-
eral dioceses at the last General Convention to four times as
much as there were Clergymen canonically resident
in each diocese as there were Clergymen canonically resident
in each diocese. The other way is by reducing the representation of *every* diocese
so that each diocese, instead of four, should have but

three, or even two, Deputies of each order. To this there are two serious objections. One is that, whereas now, by a very general usage, the two great schools of thought in the Church are represented in each diocesan deputation, the minority being allowed one of the four deputies in each order, if the number were reduced to three, the minority (on account of the risk involved of the neutralization of the voice of the diocese on a vote by dioceses through the momentary absence of one of the deputies) would *hardly* be allowed, and if it were reduced to two, would certainly *not* be allowed a representation. The other objection to any reduction of numbers in the House of Deputies has respect to the *incidental* advantages of the present arrangement. "The General Convention," we are told in the Address—and it is adduced as an argument against the adoption of the Provincial System—"has been a rallying point of unity;" "the intimate communion we have had, as things now are, has wonderfully promoted brotherly kindness and abated sectional jealousy and theological narrowness and extravagance." Now it is obvious that *any* diminution of representation will be diminution *pro tanto* of these benefits; and if the diminution be made in the way proposed in the Address, it will be more than a *pro tanto* diminution of them; for the very dioceses which, by reason of their comparative isolation, are most in need of this periodically recurring interchange of thought and sentiment are the thirty-one (including all the Southern, except Maryland, Virginia and North Carolina and all the Western, except Ohio, Wisconsin and Minnesota) which, by the change of basis proposed in the Address, will be deprived of three-fourths of all the intercourse and interchange to which they have been hitherto entitled.

As to the other ground of expediency, to wit, the alleged *unwieldiness* of the body as at present constituted, that is an argument of some, though hardly of preponderating, weight in favor of a smaller house, but it is not an argument for inequality of representation. Accordingly, this latter is commended to us on the ground of *principle*.

"The smaller dioceses," it is said, "are amply protected from oppression by equality of representation in the House of Bishops, and by the right to demand, in the House of Deputies, a vote by dioceses;" and it is asked, "What principle of justice or expediency is there, in giving to a diocese like ours a representation in the Convention numerically equal to those large dioceses, so far beyond us in numbers and in contribution to the common work?"

In reply, it may be asked, What principle of justice or expediency is there in giving to the smaller dioceses an equal voice in all important questions and denying to them an equal representation? And what substantial advantage is to accrue to the larger dioceses by the proposed change? Is it that they will have thereby a preponderating *influence*? They have it now, inasmuch as the men of mark, both Clerical and Lay, are found, as a rule, in the large dioceses.

As to the matter of "contribution to the common work," there is one department of it in which the larger dioceses are favored at the expense of the smaller, to wit, that of *taxation*. By Canon 1 of Title III, a tax is laid on each diocese of "three dollars for each clergyman within such diocese."

This amount by resolution of the last Convention was increased to four dol-

lars for each clergyman. Under this Canon and Resolution, the diocese of Easton was taxed \$128.00 ; while the diocese of Pennsylvania, with nine and a half times the number of communicants, twenty-four and a half times the amount of " Church property," and, at a moderate estimate, fifty times the wealth, was taxed less than six times that sum ; and the tax of the Diocese of Nebraska was, in proportion to the number of communicants, nearly double that of Easton. It is plain, therefore, that the advantages are not all with the small dioceses.

On the whole, the Committee see no good reason for disturbing the basis of representation established by the wisdom of our fathers. They therefore submit for the consideration of the Convention the following Resolution :

Resolved, That a reduction of Representation is at present inexpedient.

Resolved, That in any rearrangement that may hereafter become necessary, equality of Representation should be retained.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD J. STEARNS,
ROBERT WILSON,
RICHARD B. CARMICHAEL.

The first Resolution proposed by the Committee was thereupon adopted.

The tellers here reported the following persons elected as members of the Standing Committee :

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., the Rev. Erastus F. Dashiell, the Rev. Robert Wilson, M. D., the Rev. James A. Mitchell.

The Convention then went into the election of Deputies to the General Convention.

The President appointed the Rev. Mr. Hepbron and Mr. Jno. W. Cheezum, tellers.

The tellers having retired, the Convention resumed the consideration of the second Resolution reported by the Committee on the Provincial System.

The vote being taken, the resolution did not prevail.

But, on the motion of Dr. G. W. Goldsborough, the question was reconsidered.

The question recurring upon the adoption of the second Resolution proposed by the Committee, the Rev. Dr. Barber offered the following substitute :

Resolved, That our Deputies to the General Convention be requested to favor such an amendment of Art. II. of the Constitution that the number of members in the House of Deputies may be reduced.

The tellers on the vote of Deputies to the General Convention here reported that the following persons had been duly elected :

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. Erastus F. Dashiell, the Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., Mr. W. S. Walker, Dr. I. L. Adkins, Mr. Geo. R. Goldsborough, Mr. Henry S. Coudon.

There remaining one Clerical Delegate to be elected, the President reappointed the same tellers, and directed another ballot to be taken.

The tellers having retired, Dr. Goldsborough moved to amend the substitute of the Rev. Dr. Barber by inserting after the word " be," " lessened by a *pro rata* reduction in each Diocese."

On motion of Mr. J. F. Bateman, the whole matter was laid upon the table.

The tellers appeared and reported that there was no election, and another ballot was ordered, the same persons acting as tellers.

The Rev. Mr. Hilliard called up the second Resolution reported by the Committee on the Parochial System, and the Resolution was thereupon adopted.

The Rev. Mr. Wilson presented the following Report :

The Committee on the State of the Church beg leave to offer the following Report :

We note with much gratification an improvement in the attention given to the Parochial Reports, there being thirty before the Committee, while last year there were but nineteen. There are, however, only twenty-two Vestry Reports, one more than last year. It is, of course, chiefly from these sources that any estimate of the actual state of the Church in the Diocese can be made, and upon their fullness and accuracy depends the truth of those general statistics by which the Church is judged. We earnestly commend this matter to the authorities of the various Parishes, and urge upon them its very great importance. The evidences of laborious and fruitful activity on the part of the Parochial Clergy are very cheering and gratifying. The total number of Communicants reported is ~~2903~~. This represents a very decided increase since the last Convention, and we trust is only the earnest of material as well as spiritual growth in the Diocese. We cannot but feel that this is owing to methods as well as to work. Twelve of these thirty reported Parishes

of Easton.

Communion oftener than once a
- of negligence in offer-
The impression thus formed
in his Annual Address, to the
of the Clergy in the matter of
- on their part in present-
- and in the exercise of per-
- fortunate disagreements which
- gress, and from which we are thus
- reported, representing a vast
- deep gratification and allowable
- prominent—which reports fifty

- gily satisfactory. There are but
- glebes, few of the latter being of
- the prompt and full payment of the
- rs, while of the rest very few seem
- es and Chapels are in good condi-
- -sured, and sixteen Parishes report
- counts, all stating that such accounts
- -s a diligence in the management
- s of the Church which is very gratify-
- - however, still closer attention to the
- - and increased zeal on the part of the
- with their Rectors in extending the
- growth of the Church.

Submitted,

ROBERT WILSON,
J. N. WATTSON,
J. H. B. BROOKS,
I. L. ADKINS,
S. S. McMASTER.

the Rev. Joseph N. Wattson was
at Convention.

Adjourned.

ANNUAL SESSION.

4 P. M.

Convention to order.

res were made and unanimously con-

For Treasurer of Convention.—Thomas Hughlett.

Trustees of the Clergy Relief Fund.—Rev. Messrs. Dashiell and Wilson, and Messrs. E. L. F. Hardcastle and John C. Earle, M. D.

Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.—I. L. Adkins, M. D., R. B. Carmichael, H. H. Dashiell, Geo. R. Goldsborough, E. L. F. Hardcastle, Charles Lowndes and Wm. S. Walker.

Board of Diocesan Missions.—The Bishop and Deans, *ex officio*, Messrs. I. L. Adkins, M. D., and Jos. E. M. Chamberlaine, M. D.

Registrar.—Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D.

The Secretary was authorized to cast the vote of the Convention for the following persons as members of the Ecclesiastical Court of the Diocese :

The Rev. Joseph N. Wattson, the Rev. Geo. F. Beaven, the Rev. S. C. Roberts.

The Rev. E. K. Miller offered the following Resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That this Convention has heard with great satisfaction the Report of the Officers and Managers of the Home of the Friendless Children for our Diocese ; and express their sense of the able and efficient management of the institution, and would urge upon all the parishes the duty of continued interest and support in sustaining it in its good work of caring for the orphans of the Diocese.

The Bishop nominated the following persons as Trustees of Trinity Cathedral, who were confirmed by the Convention :

James P. Dawson, John W. Cheezum, Thos. K. Robson, R. C. Hollyday, D. R. D. Cheezum, J. Frank Bateman.

Mr. Carmichael called up the Resolutions heretofore offered by him.

Resolved, That in every Church and Chapel built or repaired in this Diocese after this date, no altar shall be used but "The Communion Table," as directed by the Communion Office of the Book of Prayer, the office which defines Dogma.

Resolved, That this Diocese sympathizes with the Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania in his efforts to suppress the new and unscriptural teachings set forth at St. Clement's Church, Philadelphia.

The first Resolution, being under consideration,

On motion of Mr. Bateman, was referred to the Committee on Canons, to inquire whether it was competent for the Convention to take the action proposed, which motion was adopted.

The second Resolution being under consideration, ~~Dr.~~ Coudon moved to lay it upon the table.

The Rev. W. G. Beaven moved that it be indefinitely postponed, the latter motion taking precedence.

Mr. Carmichael having called for the yeas and nays on the the question of indefinitely postponing the second Resolution, the vote was taken with the following result :

Of the CLERGY—*Ayes*—Messrs. Barber, Barton, W. Y. Beaven, Chesley, Dashiell, Davenport, Easter, Greene, Hepbron, Hilliard, Miller, Mitchell, Roberts, Walke, Walker, Wattson, Wilson—17.

Of the CLERGY—*Nays*—Rev. Mr. Stearns.—1.

Of the LAITY—*Ayes*—Messrs. Walker, Hayward, Spilman, G. R. Goldsborough, Adkins, Coudon, McKenney, Faithful, J. R. Purnell, McMasters, Bateman, Cheezum, Haddaway—13.

Nays—Messrs. Carmichael, Legg, Russum, J. B. R. Purnell—4.

The Rev. Dr. Barton, from the Committee on Parochial Assessments, made the following Report :

The Committee on Parochial Assessments beg leave to report that they have received the sum of \$613.50 from the following parishes, being in whole or in part the amount assessed upon them for the Convention fund of the Diocese, viz :

St. Mary's, Whitechapel, Caroline County.....	\$10 00
North Sassfras, Cecil County	50 00
Trinity, Elkton, "	20 00
St. James', Port Deposit.....	12 50
White Marsh Parish, Talbot County	50 00
St. Michael's " "	40 00
St. Peter's " "	50 00
Trinity Cathedral.....	10 00
St. Luke's Parish, Queen Anne's County	5 00
Christ Church " "	15 00
St. Paul's " "	40 00
Wye Parish.....	10 00
Shrewsbury Parish, Kent County.....	20 00

North Kent Parish, Kent County.....	\$40 00
I. U. Parish "	10 00
Chester " "	40 00
Great Choptank Parish, Dorchester County.....	30 00
Dorchester " "	10 00
Spring Hill Parish, Somerset County.....	30 00
All Hallows' " Worcester County.....	18 00
Worcester " "	15 00
Pocomoke " "	18 00
Somerset Parish, Somerset County.....	40 00
Coventry " "	10 00
St. John's " Caroline County.....	5 00
St. Mary Anne, Cecil County.....	15 00
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	\$613 50

The Committee also beg leave to report to the Convention that the assessments upon the various parishes for the following year are the same assessments as those of the past. The Committee have been anxious to lessen the amounts of these assessments, but find it impossible to do so, in view of the expenses of the General Convention in the autumn of this year. Still they find much gratification in stating the fact that the Treasurer of this fund does not consider it necessary to make an extra assessment, as has been heretofore necessary to meet the expense of the General Convention.

The Treasurer desires us to say that five dollars had been received by him June 1st from the Rector of Vienna Parish, Dorchester County.

JOHN O. BARTON,
GEO. R. GOLDSBOROUGH,
T. F. J. RIDER,
JOHN R. PURNELL,
J. W. IRELAND.

Whereupon the assessment proposed by the Committee was agreed to, and ordered to be printed on the fly-leaf of the Journal.

The Rev. Mr. Walke, from the Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, offered the following Report, and the Act recommended by the Committee was thereupon duly enacted :

WHEREAS, A petition has been presented to this Convention by the Vestry of Salisbury Parish for an extension of the limits of the said parish, so as to include a portion of Spring Hill Parish as now constituted, by and with the consent of the Vestry of Spring Hill Parish, and the requirements of the law relating to new parishes, seeming to have been complied with. Be it therefore enacted that the boundaries or limits of Salisbury Parish be so extended as to include the following metes and bounds: Beginning at a point on the Wicomico river, known as "Air's Landing," and running thence by and with the county road north to the "Crooked Oak" on the county road reaching from Salisbury to Quantico, thence with a straight line north to the residence

Continuation of Easton.

... straight line east northeast to the residence of
... straight line east to R. Hitch's residence on the
... straight line to St. Paul's P. E. Church in Spring
... straight line east to B. Cannon's, thence with the
... straight line to the mill, thence by and with said road to the
... straight line to Laurel road to the Delaware line, thence by
... straight line to St. Matthew's Parish, thence by and with
... straight line to the lines of Somerset Parish, south,
... straight line north crossing the Wicomico river to

... of the vestry of Salisbury Parish and find
... to such cases.

L. WALKE,
For the Committee.

... from the Committee on Methods Sup-
... Relief Fund, presented the following
... proposed by the Committee was there-

... continued from the last Annual Convention
... Report:

... most earnestly upon the Convention the
... to their consideration. Every Diocese
... the assurance that lives passed in doing
... not be allowed to close in penury or clouded by
... and unprovided. Provision, therefore, for
... Widows and Orphans
... not be left to the uncertainty of voluntary
... should be made sure by the organic law of
... meeting this obligation is a Resolution appro-
... throughout the Diocese to a fund for the
... this means we have managed in twelve
... endowment \$1000. Your Committee
... South Carolina and Virginia possess Lay
... very efficient towards the desired end, and
... offered from the practical results of

... the fund arising from the Whit-Sunday
... until by the addition of the accumulating
... reach the sum of \$5,000, when, and not till
... the objects in view. We further respect-
... measure, and not to take the place of
... Laymen be formed, to be known as the
... Easton, having for its object the insurance of
... of Easton, for the benefit of their fam-
... and disabled Clergymen of the Diocese,
... annual meeting at a convenient hour on the
... Annual Convention of the Diocese, and at the

same place : that it shall elect its own president, vice-president and secretary and adopt its own by-laws ; that it shall further elect an advisory board of Laymen, with whom its officers shall consult as to the disbursement of its funds, as each case may arise ; that an assistant secretary shall be elected annually for each parish by the Convention upon the nomination of the rector or minister in charge, whose duty it shall be to obtain subscribing members, to collect their subscriptions and remit the amounts to the Treasurer of the Relief Fund of the Diocese, who shall be *ex-officio* treasurer of the association. That each subscribing member shall pay \$1.00 per annum, to be added to the general relief fund, and shall, in addition, when notified by the death or beneficiary disability of any clergyman of the Diocese, pay the sum of \$1.10, the amount of \$1.00 to be paid by the Treasurer to the family of the deceased, and in case there be no such family, to the general relief fund, or to the disabled clergyman, in the discretion of the officers and advisory board, and the ten cents to be appropriated to current expenses, and finally, that the Bishop be requested to notify the President of the Brotherhood of all cases of death or disability.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ROBERT WILSON,
JOHN O. BARTON,
ENOCH K. MILLER,
I. L. ADKINS,
HY. S. COUDON.

The Committee ask leave to offer the following Resolution :

Resolved, That the Lay members of this Committee be requested to call a meeting of the Lay Delegates to this Convention, for the purpose of organizing the Brotherhood as above recommended and carrying out the provisions of this Report.

The Rev. Mr. Dashiell, from the Committee on the Episcopal Fund, presented the following Report, and the Resolutions proposed by the Committee were thereupon adopted :

The Committee on the Episcopal Fund, to whom was referred the Report of the Trustees, beg leave to report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer and find them correct. They would most earnestly call the attention of the Diocese to the very small amount left in the hands of the Treasurer after paying the salary of the Bishop, only five dollars and fifty-six cents, and would urge upon the Clergy and Laity more diligent heed in seeing that the very moderate assessment on every Parish be sent to the Treasurer, or at least handed to the Committee at the meeting of the Convention.

They would also ask of the Trustees this question : If the accounts of subscriptions to the Episcopal Fund are ever to be settled, is it not time they were put in the hands of competent legal collectors with instructions ?

They would offer the following Resolutions :

1. *Resolved*, That the assessment to make up the deficit in the Episcopal Fund be continued, and that the Trustees continue the present collection if necessary.

2. *Resolved*, That, in the opinion of the Convention, the time has come for the Trustees to close up the account of subscriptions to the Episcopal Fund.

ERASTUS F. DASHIELL,
WM. MCKENNEY,
WM. R. HAYWARD.

On motion, the Convention adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

8 P. M.

Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. Davenport and Greene.

At the close of divine service, the President called the Convention to order.

The Rev. Mr. Wattson, from the Special Committee on that part of the Bishop's Address, relating to the death of the late Bishop Whittingham, presented the following report, whereupon the resolutions appended were adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved That we met in Convention, He who doeth all things well hath taken to himself Maryland's great Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Wm. Rollinson Whittingham D. D. The memory of the dead prelate has been widely, reverently and strongly honored. The story of his great learning, wondrous labors and nearly life has been so often told as to have become more than familiar to us all. It is fitting that the Convention of the Diocese of Easton, whose territory for so long a time formed a part of his jurisdiction, at its first session after his death should add its tribute of honor to his memory. It needs to be done, in the simplest terms. Be it therefore

Resolved, That we hereby place on record our grateful memory of the years of loving care and pastoral oversight bestowed by the late Bishop of Maryland upon the churches and congregations now forming the Diocese of Easton.

Resolved That in the life of Wm. Rollinson Whittingham, as loving son and diligent student, as parish priest, professor of theology and Bishop in the Church of Christ, we recognize one fraught with blessings to the Church, whose loving and loyal son he was, and that we deeply mourn his loss.

Resolved, That we extend to our brothers of the Diocese of Maryland our sympathies in their great bereavement, and pray with them that the blessing of God may be bestowed in rich measure on him upon whom has descended the increased responsibility of the Episcopate of that great diocese, and that under his guidance the diocese may abundantly prosper, and convey to them the assurance that in learning to love the daughter, our love for the mother has not been diminished.

THEODORE P. BARBER, D. D.,
J. N. WATTSON,
E. F. DASHIELL,
S. S. McMASTER,
I. L. ADKINS.

The Rev. Dr. Barber called for the order of the day, being the Report of the Board of Missions, which is as follows:

In presenting their eleventh annual Report, the Board are impressed more than ever before with the responsibility of the charge you have confided to them and the occasion for the utmost caution and care in its administration. There is not only the obvious fact that the efficient discharge of this trust involves the well-being and determines the growth of the diocese, but the question of the best application, the fair and wise distribution of our little income induces anxious thought.

We may reasonably hope that some of these weaker parishes, which for many years have received aid from the diocese, will soon gather strength "to walk alone." And if congregations generously aided by the Board fail to show proper appreciation by prompt fulfilment of their own pledges to the minister's support, it may well be doubted whether our assistance is worthily bestowed.

By the statement of the Treasurer, whose Report is herewith appended, it appears that the receipts for the year, through the envelope system, amounted to \$1,638.74. The sum expended under drafts of the Bishop is \$1,445.83. There is therefore a balance in hand of \$192.91, which will help in making the payment due July 1st.

The appropriations have been—

To St. James', Port Deposit.....	\$250 00
To St. Luke's, Queen Anne County	200 00
To St. Michael's (for All Saints').....	200 00
To St. Mary's, White Chapel.....	83 30
To East New Market	300 00
To Dorchester Parish.....	250 00
To Coventry Parish	150 00

It is a gratification to announce that, after the next year, one of these parishes, St. Michael's, Talbot County, in which are three Mission Chapels, will no longer ask an appropriation.

Let it be further understood that, if all our mission stations had been occupied for the entire year, \$2,000 would have been required to pay the stipends.

In conclusion, the Board ask leave, with renewed emphasis, to enforce two suggestions:

First, there is the appeal of the Bishop, so earnestly seconded at the last Convention by our Treasurer, for *special* gifts from the more wealthy parishioners. Certainly there are ten individuals in the Diocese of Easton who could readily contribute \$50.00 annually to this most worthy object. And, without doubt, there are twenty members who could readily pledge \$20.00 each in annual payments. But, under this most moderate computation, our receipts would be more than doubled. O! that God would open the hearts of our more favored Laymen and dispose them to embrace thankfully the blessed opportunity, the high privilege which this method proffers to them. And there is a second suggestion.

Perhaps the Brethren were taken by surprise when, at the last Convention, the Board asked for a definite pledge from each parish. But there is decided advantage in this plan. It is adopted and approved in almost every other diocese. It relieves the Board of great responsibility and imparts much encouragement. It is hoped that the representatives of the several parishes have come prepared for a renewal of the request, and will not hesitate to concur in its reasonableness.

The Board present the following Resolutions, and request their cheerful acceptance by the brethren :

Resolved, 1. The Convention express the deliberate conviction that, without hearty sympathy and zealous co-operation in the work of Diocesan Missions, the prosperity and growth of the diocese must be seriously hindered.

Resolved, 2. That the Secretary is requested to call the list of the parishes and congregations, that each may give assurance of such a contribution for the ensuing year as its circumstances may warrant.

HENRY C. LAY,
THEO. P. BARBER,
JOHN O. BARTON,
LEWIS WALKE,
L. L. ADKINS,
JOS. B. CHAMBERLAINE.

Whereupon the Resolutions proposed by the Board were adopted.

In pursuance of the foregoing order, the Secretary then proceeded to call the list of the parishes for pledges for Diocesan Missions, with the following result :

North Elk, or St. Mary Anne.....	\$50 00
North Sassafras..	50 00
Trinity.....	75 00
St. James'.....	45 00
North Kent.....	20 00
I. U.....	5 00
Chester	50 00
St. Paul's, Kent.....	20 00
Christ Church	15 09
St. Luke's	60 00
St. Paul's, Centreville	150 00
Dorchester.....	20 00
East New Market.....	10 00
Vienna.....	5 00
Great Choptank.....	140 00
Coventry.....	10 00
Somerset.....	50 00
Pocomoke.....	25 00
St. Michael's	150 00

White Marsh.....	\$60 00
Trinity Cathedral.....	50 00
Salisbury.....	50 00
Worcester.....	40 00
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	\$1,150 00

Mr. Russum offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Bishop, as President of the Board of Missions, be requested, in drawing his next draft in favor of any missionary, to inform the vestry of the parish receiving such aid that no further aid will be made to any parish until he is satisfied that the salary pledged by the parish has been fully paid for the quarter last past.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Davenport, the resolution was amended so as to read "the Board will not consider itself bound to give further aid," and the resolution, as amended, was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Stearns offered the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Convention pay to the sexton of St. Paul's Parish ten dollars for his services.

Resolved, That the hearty acknowledgments of this Convention are due to the rector and vestry of St. Paul's parish for their kind reception of the members and the admirable arrangements for their convenience.

Resolved, That the Convention gratefully recognizes the warm hospitality of the members of the parish and the citizens of Centreville.

On motion of Mr. Rider, it was resolved that the Convention hold its next session in St. Peter's Church, Salisbury.

The Rev. Dr. Barber, from the Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the resolution of Mr. Carmichael, on the subject of altars and Communion tables, presented the following report, whereupon the Committee was discharged :

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the question of jurisdiction in this body over the use of the word "Altar" in the holy Communion, beg leave, respectfully, to report that in their opinion, the building, repairing and furnishing a parish church or chapel lies with the rector and vestry thereof, subject only to the legislation of the General Convention, and that a Diocesan Convention has no jurisdiction in the premises. They therefore submit the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

THEO. P. BARBER,
E. J. STEARNS,
GEO. M. RUSSUM.

Mr. Spilman, from the Committee on Accounts, presented the following report:

The undersigned, Committee on Accounts, have examined the Reports submitted to them.

We find the Treasurer of the Convention had in hand at last report a balance of \$151.96, and has received for the past year \$599.00, making a total of \$750.96. The amount disbursed by him during the past year, as shown by vouchers, was \$477.30, leaving in hands of Treasurer \$273.66.

We find by report of the Treasurer of the Clergy Relief Fund a balance in hand of \$680.08, and that he has received for the past year \$258.07, which sum includes interest of \$40.80 on above balance and dividend of \$24.00 accruing from stock of Masonic Hall Association of Easton, making a total of \$958.95.

We find by report of the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missions Board that he had a balance in hand at last report of \$19.09, and that he received during the past year \$1,619.65, making a total equal to \$1,638.74. He has expended \$1,445.83, leaving in hand \$192.91.

In addition, we have examined the Treasurer's account with Trust Fund of the Convention of the P. E. Church of the Diocese of Easton, and find all funds invested, except \$93.96, to be invested for the use of Stepney Parish.

J. B. R. PURNELL,
R. L. SPILMAN,
G. W. CRUIKSHANK.

On motion of Mr. Russum, it was

Resolved, That hereafter it shall be the duty of the representatives of each parish, before attending Convention, to ascertain from their respective vestries the amount for which his parish shall be pledged for Diocesan Missions.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Barber, it was

Resolved, That the Deputies to the General Convention are hereby authorized to fill any vacancy in their membership which may occur before or during the session of that Body.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, it was

Resolved, That after the reading of the Minutes and usual devotions, the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

The Minutes were thereupon read and approved, and after prayer and benediction by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

HENRY C. LAY,
President ex officio.

JAMES A. MITCHELL,
Secretary.

WM. S. WALKER,
Assistant Secretary.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. John's Parish.

J. P. Manlove and J. B. Bishop, Wardens.

J. B. Bishop, Dr. G. W. Goldsborough, Dr. P. S. Reynolds, J. P. Manlove, F. T. Barton, J. M. Wooters, Wm. C. Satterfield, Charles R. Wooters, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 2 ; Infant 17=19 ; Confirmations 6 ; Marriages 7 ; Burials 3 ; Holy Communion administered 20 ; Communicants, added 5 ; removed 4 ; present number 54.

Sunday School Teachers 3 ; Scholars 40 ; Families 26 ; Individuals 180 ; Sitzings 300 ; Money receipts from all sources \$265.93 ; Parochial Expenditures \$250.31 ; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$2.50 ; Home of the Friendless \$2.00 ; Diocesan Missions \$8.87 ; Clergy Relief \$2.25.

GEO. F. BEAVEN, *Rector.*

St. Mary's White Chapel Parish.

Geo. M. Russum, Warden.

Charles Stevens, Philip W. Downes, Robert G. Stewart, J. W. Bryant, Wm. G. Horsey, George W. Richardson, George M. Russum, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 3 ; Marriages 1 ; Catechisings 11 ; Holy Communion administered 13 ; Communicants, added 1 ; present number 14.

Sunday School Teachers 2 ; Scholars 12 ; Families 17 ; Individuals 55 ; Sitzings 100 ; Money received from all sources \$204.49 ; Parochial Expenditures \$91.80 ; Parochial Improvements \$80.00 ; Clergy Relief \$1.60.

My rectorship only extends over four months. I took charge of the parish the first of February, and resigned to go to Milford, Delaware, the first of June.

C. E. MILNOR, *Rector.*

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

CECIL COUNTY.

St. Mary Anne's Parish or Church.

Samuel L. Chamberlain and Samuel W. Day, Wardens.

Joseph Coudon, Henry L. Coudon, John Mauldin, George P. Whitaker, Samuel L. Chamberlain, Wm. H. Simcoe, Robert Cameron, Elisha Harris, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 6; Infant 44=50; Confirmations 13; Marriages 8; Burials 19; Catechisings 30; Holy Communion administered 30; private 12=42; Communicants, added 10; died 5; present number 85.

Sunday School Teachers 10; Scholars 80; Parish School Teachers 1; Scholars 25; Families 65; Individuals 350; Sittings 350; Money receipts from all sources \$1,658.77; Parochial Expenditures \$862.80; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$650.00; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$125.00; Convention \$15.00; Home of the Friendless \$2.17; Diocesan Missions \$52.00; Clergy Relief \$8.00; Insurance and Taxes \$85.00.

In the list of Parochial Improvements, the sum of \$650.00 appears, which is the cost of bell purchased from McShane, at Baltimore, and which together with tower, which as yet is but half completed, cost us that item. We also have met with a sad and severe bereavement in the removal to the rest of Paradise of Mr. Joseph Coudon, our Register. The whole diocese will mourn with us his loss.

ENOCH K. MILLER, *Rector.*

St. James' Church.

Henry L. Physick and Washington W. Hopkins, Wardens.

H. L. Physick, W. W. Hopkins, R. C. Hopkins, R. E. McClenahan, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 6; Confirmations 5; Marriages 1; Burials 3; Catechisings 52; Holy Communion administered 19; Communicants added 5; died 2; present number 65.

Sunday School Teachers 9; Scholars 90; Families 28; Individuals 150; Sittings 200; Money receipts from all sources \$843.02; Parochial Expenditures \$723.15; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$21.99; Convention \$12.50; Home of the Friendless \$14; Diocesan Missions \$52.51; Domestic Missions \$5.00; Foreign Missions \$5.00; Clergy Relief \$1.61; Other objects, viz: Church Cleaning \$16.29; Lenten Offerings \$16.79; S. S. Offerings \$50.36; Miscellaneous articles for Home of Friendless, valued at \$3.25.

We are prepared to pay off all indebtedness of the Church, and to extinguish the ground rent by purchase as soon as the estate of the late Joseph B. Pugh is ready to give us a title to the property.

GEO. W. EASTER, *Rector.*

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North Sassafras Parish.

J. C. Crookshank and D. P. Davis, Wardens.

William Knight, S. E. Wills, Geo. Biddle, D. P. Davis, William Ward, Henry Black, G. U. Davis, T. C. Crookshank, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 15 ; Confirmations 3 ; Marriages 10 ; Burials 6 ; Holy Communion administered monthly ; Communicants, added 5 ; removed 4 ; died 1 : present number 47.

Families 25 ; Individuals 100 ; Sitzings 200 ; Money Receipts \$162.91 ; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$20 ; Convention \$50 ; Home of the Friendless \$36 ; Diocesan Missions \$56 ; Clergy Relief \$24.

LEWIS WALKE, *Rector.*

Trinity Parish.

W. W. Henderson and Henry B. Wirt, Wardens.

W. W. Henderson, H. B. Wirt, R. C. Mackall, M. D , R. G. Reese, Alfred Wetherill, Lewis T. Roberts, Geo. W. Cruikshank, John Partridge, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 2 ; Infant 8=10 ; Confirmations 3 ; Burials 6 ; Catechisings weekly ; Holy Communion administered 49 ; Communicants, added 4 ; removed 5 ; died 1 ; present number 82.

Sunday School Teachers 5 ; Scholars 36 ; Families 66 ; Individuals 288 ; Sitzings 200 ; Parochial Expenditures \$951.31 ; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$5.41 ; Convention \$4.77 ; Home of the Friendless \$7.30 ; Diocesan Missions \$81.40 ; General Missions \$3.35.

The undersigned assumed the rectorship of Trinity Parish, made vacant by the resignation of the Rev. H. A. Skinner, on the first of May. The parish was without a Rector during the months of March and April.

WILLIAM SCHOULEK, *Rector.*

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

Dorchester Parish.

Capt. John E. Graham and Dr. W. A. Smith, Wardens.

Samuel M. Travers, James Fooks, W. W. Mace, T. K. Carrol, R. L. Spilman, J. H. Edmondson, T. W. Staplefort, J. M. Willis, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 8 ; Confirmations 4 ; Marriages 2 ; Burials 1 ; Catechisings 2 ; Holy Communion administered 15 ; Communicants, added 4 ; present number 22.

Sunday School Teachers 5 ; Scholars 35 ; Families 20 ; Individuals 120 ; Sitzings 360 ; Parochial Expenditures \$162.20 ; Alms and Charities within the

Parish \$3.30 ; Convention \$8.00 ; Home of the Friendless \$6.58 ; Diocesan Missions \$28.88 ; Clergy Relief \$1.50 ; Sunday School \$11.09 ; Sufferers in Ireland \$3.00 ; Miscellaneous \$38.76 ; Total amount given in the Parish \$263.31.

The attendance upon the services continues to be encouraging. I still keep up services at my residence on Friday night when practicable. The congregation at Trinity Church has had the present of quite a number of Bibles, prayer books and hymnals, from a society in New York, also of a handsome set of communion plate and a baptismal font from friends in Baltimore, and of a good stove from Christ Church, Easton. Such evidences of interest on the part of friends at a distance are gratefully recorded. The Sunday school at this church is quite prosperous, and is visited regularly by the Rector. Rev. Mr. Nott officiated at three of the baptisms above reported. More attention has recently been paid to the music at both churches, and it has decidedly improved.

WM. WALLACE GREENE, *Rector.*

East New Market Parish.

E. S. Johnson and Dr. J. T. Jacobs, Wardens.

T. J. Hicks, Thos. Leckie, Dr. J. H. Thomas, J. W. Andrew, E. S. Johnson, J. H. Wright, T. B. Sherman, Clinton Ross, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 5 ; Confirmations 4 ; Marriages 2 ; Holy Communion administered 1 ; Communicants, added 4 ; removed 3 ; present number 38.

Sunday School Teachers 6 ; Scholars 30 ; Families 16 ; Individuals 75 ; Sitzings 100 ; Money Receipts \$155.28 ; Parochial Expenditures \$155 28 ; Home of the Friendless \$5 44 ; Diocesan Missions \$10.87.

J. HARRY CHESLEY, *Minister.*

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

Great Choptank Parish.

Wm. R. Hayward and Daniel M. Henry, Wardens.

Dr. Alex. H. Bayly, Daniel M. Henry, Wm. R. Hayward, Dr. Thos. B. Steele, Chas. F. Goldsborough, Thos. H. Handy, Edward W. Le Compte, M. W. Goldsborough, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 1 ; Infant 18=19 ; Confirmations 12 ; Marriages 6 ; Burials 7, Catechisings every other Sunday ; Holy Communion administered 30 ; Communicants, added 20 ; removed 5 ; died 1 ; present number 190.

Sunday School Teachers 19 ; Scholars 120 ; Families 100 ; Individuals 500 ; Sitzings 490 ; Parochial Expenditures \$1,050.00 ; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$220.00 ; Convention \$30.00 ; Episcopal Fund \$146.78 ; Home of the Friendless \$58.78 ; Diocesan Missions \$140.00 ; Domestic Missions

\$40.85; Foreign Missions \$13.00; Clergy Relief 13.23; In liquidation of debt for Church repair \$85.00; For new Church, White Earth Mission, Minnesota, \$35.68; Miscellaneous 120.00. Total amount given in the Parish \$1,953.32.

It is a privilege to acknowledge the important aid so cheerfully rendered by our loved brother, the assistant minister of the Parish. His services are highly appreciated by the Rector and parishioners.

THEO. P. BARBER, *Rector.*

JAMES L. BRYAN, *Assist. Minister.*

KENT COUNTY.

Chester Parish.

N. G. Westcote and T. S. Wickes, Wardens.

J. L. Stam, G. W. T. Perkins, J. A. Pearce, W. S. Walker, G. B. Westcote, W. N. E. Wickes, W. H. Meeteer, J. A. Wickes, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 10; Confirmations 6; Marriages 5; Burials 9; Holy Communion administered 16 times; Communicants added 8; removed 4; died 2; present number 74; Sitzings 341; Money receipts \$1,275.36; Parochial Expenditures \$1,275.36; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$212.50; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$88.01; Convention \$73.50; Diocesan Missions \$88.01; Domestic Missions \$4.03; Foreign Missions \$5.61; Clergy Relief \$8.01.

S. C. ROBERTS, *Rector.*

I. U. Parish.

Albert Perkins and Wm. P. Smith, Wardens.

Dr. S. Beck, Joseph Hossenger, James S. Gemmill, Albert Perkins, Luther Handy, E. W. Hepbron, S. W. Wallis, Wm. P. Smith, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 4; Burials 4; Holy Communion administered 8; Communicants, removed 3; died 1; present number 24; Families 25; Individuals 150; Sitzings 200; Parochial Expenditures \$226.00; Diocesan Missions \$3.20; Domestic Misions \$2.00; Miscellaneous \$5; Total \$230.20.

S. S. HEPBRON, *Rector.*

North Kent Parish.

D. C. Blackiston and L. M. Bean, Wardens.

D. C. Blackiston, Wm. Cacy, Stephen Boyer, C. H. B. Massey, M. D., Samuel Cacy, C. S. Hurlock, L. M. Bean, J. J. Spear, Vestrymen.

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

Baptisms, Infant 7 ; Marriage 1 ; Funeral 1 ; Communicants, last reported 48 ; removed 1 ; dropped 1 ; added 2 ; present number 48 ; Sunday School Teachers 6 ; Scholars 63 ; Contributions \$915.00.

All spent in the Parish except \$20 for Convention fund, and about \$20 for Diocesan Missions.

J. N. WATTSON, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Parish.

T. W. Ringgold and Geo. A. Jessup, Wardens.

L. A. Hulme, Geo. Beck, Joseph Ringgold, Jas. Rankin, J. A. Schwearer, S. Constable, Joseph Rasin, W. I. Rasin, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 33 ; Confirmations 8 ; Marriages 8 ; Burials 9 ; Catechisings semi-monthly ; Holy Communion administered 16 ; Communicants, added 10 ; removed 4 ; died 2 ; present number 69.

Sunday School Teachers 3 ; Scholars 30 ; Families 50 ; Individuals 300 ; Sittings 250 ; Money Receipts \$859.60 ; Parochial Expenditures \$737.66 ; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$12.00 ; Home of the Friendless \$6.40 ; Diocesan Missions \$32.42 ; Clergy Relief \$5.00 ; Miscellaneous \$10.00 ; Total given in the Parish \$803 78.

S. S. HEPBRON, *Rector.*

Shrewsbury Parish.

Jno. C. Sutton and G. W. Price, Wardens.

J. W. Hurtt, N. W. Comegys, J. M. Armstrong, D. J. Nowland, Jno. R. Gill, Henry Parr, G. W. Jacobs, Jno. Ireland, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 1 ; Infant 10=11 ; Confirmations 18 ; Marriages 5 ; Burials 3 ; Catechisings monthly ; Holy Communion administered 32 ; Communicants, added 12 ; removed 2 ; died 3, present number 100.

Sunday School Teachers 8 ; Scholars 30 ; Families 60 ; Individuals 250 ; Sittings 300 ; Money Receipts \$1,290.43 ; Parochial Improvements and Purchases 413.43 ; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$15 ; Convention \$20 ; Episcopal Fund \$17.00 ; Home of the Friendless \$25.00 ; Diocesan Missions \$50.71 ; Domestic Missions \$5.00 ; Foreign Missions \$5.00 ; Clergy Relief \$10.00 ; Miscellaneous \$19.90 ; Total amount given in the Parish \$1,290.14.

Shrewsbury Church was consecrated Tuesday, May 4th, during the session of the Northern Convocation, which was held in the Parish. The services were of deep interest, and largely attended. Two confirmations have been held since March. A perceptible increase of religious interest bids us be thankful and more earnest. Several Parochial improvements have been made by erecting new fences and out-buildings. The Parishioners have purchased a handsome new carriage for the use of the Rector. St. Andrew's has a new fence and brick pavement. Both churches have large outside lamps for the convenience of the evening congregation. The attendance is full and regular at all the services.

JNO. MARTIN, *Rector.*

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QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

Christ Church Parish.

Emory S. Skinner and W. P. Tanner, Wardens.

E. C. Legg, J. H. Price, Chas. E. Tolson, Elfred Price, Wm. B. Goodhand, Wm. Denny, E. S. Skinner, W. P. Tanner, Vestrymen.

Baptisms Infant 5; Confirmations 2; Marriages 2; Burials 4; Catechisings occasional; Holy Communion administered monthly and on Major Festivals; Communicants, added 3; present number 22.

Sunday School Teachers 3; Scholars 30; Families 10; Individuals 75; Money Receipts \$50; Parochial Expenditures \$12.00; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$20.00; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$25.00; Home of the Friendless \$80; Diocesan Missions \$1.50; Clergy Relief \$1.00.

The amount reported as Parochial Improvements and Purchases has reference to the purchase of a building lot, and the cost of church building now in process of erection, and nearly ready for consecration.

P. D. THOMPSON, *Rector.*

St. Luke's Parish.

W. E. B. Faithful and William Gould, Wardens.

Wm. H. Newnam, E. S. Valliant, James Brown, J. E. George, A. J. Gadd, Dr. G. W. Parvis, J. W. Appleford, Wm. D. Gould, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 1; Infant 14=15; Confirmations 15; Marriages 4; Burials 7; Catechisings monthly; Holy Communion administered 28; Communicants, added 15; removed 7; died 1; present number, actual 67; nominal 8=75.

Sunday School Teachers 11; Scholars 83; Families 46; Individuals 175; Sitzings 325; Money Receipts \$902.29; Parochial Expenditures \$520.77; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$21.00; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$1.50; Convention \$5.00; Episcopal Fund \$72.77; Home of the Friendless \$5.70; Diocesan Missions \$70.69; Domestic Missions \$6.10; Clergy Relief \$7.15; Towards the completion of the chapel at Sudlersville, \$150.00: For Sunday School and other purposes, by Ladies Aid Society \$30.00; Given by Sunday School, not included in above \$13.01; Total amount paid out \$903.69; Total amount given in the Parish \$902.29.

St. Andrew's Chapel, Sudlersville, was consecrated on the 2nd of March last, by the Bishop of the Diocese. The seats have been contracted for. When these are in, only a font and chancel furniture will be wanting to make the chapel complete in its appointments.

We notice a gradual improvement in the temporal interests of the Parish. And now, vestry and people are showing much zeal towards the thorough repair of our venerable church. Already liberal subscriptions to this end have been made.

W. G. DAVENPORT, *Rector.*

*Diocesan Convention of Easton.**St. Paul's Parish.*

James T. Earle and Richard T. Earle, Wardens.

Richard T. Earle. Wm. McKenney, Robert Goldsborough, Edwin H. Brown, Samuel T. Earle, M. D., Richard Hollyday, Jno. B. Brown, Wm. H. Warren, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 19; Confirmations 6; Marriages 8; Burials 12; Catechisings monthly; Holy Communion administered in private 8; public 12=20; Communicants, added 16; removed 5; died 4; present number 131.

Sunday School Teachers 10; Scholars 60; Parish School Teachers 2; Scholars 30; Families 68; Individuals 375; Sitzings 350; Parochial Expenditures \$1,149.90; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$350.; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$64.91; Convention \$40.00; Episcopal Fund \$25.38; Home of the Friendless \$35.91; Diocesan Missions \$100.87; Charity without Parish \$10.00; Sunday School purposes \$111.35; Miscellaneous \$24.00; Total amount given in the Parish \$2,246.27.

Within the year repairs and improvements upon the church building have cost the sum of \$350, of which \$150 has been accounted for in last report.

JAMES A. MITCHELL, *Rector.*

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Coventry Parish.

Thos. Williams and Chas. Curtis, Wardens.

Thos. Williams, Geo. C. Dennis, Thos. Williams, F. Adams, Jas. Curtis, Chas. Curtis, John S. Sudler, E. J. Davy, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 6; Confirmations 7; Catechisings 3; Holy Communion administered 4; Communicants, added 7; present number 70.

Sunday School Teachers 6; Scholars 25; Families 55; Individuals 220; Diocesan Missions \$8.53; Domestic Missions \$8.53; Clergy \$2.00.

I have been in the Parish only since November, 1879. Parish very much unorganized. Report is necessarily partial. The territory being so large and so much scattered, I have not been able to get more than approximate numbers which I think it better not to record.

H. CRUIKSHANK, *Rector.*

Somerset Parish.

Thos. Williams and Levin H. Curtis, Wardens; C. C. Waller, Samuel F. Smith, Thomas H. Fitzgerald, Assistant Wardens.

Wm. H. Gale, Wm. J. Brittingham, Levin Woolford, John W. Nash, H. Nash, Robert G. Waller, Isaac S. Atkinson, Vestry-

men.

Baptism, Infants 15 ; Confirmations 21 ; Marriages 5 ; Burials 12 ; Catechisings every Sunday ; Holy Communion administered 33 ; Communicants, added 21 ; removed 16 ; died 1 ; present number 191.

Sunday School Teachers, in two schools, 18 ; Scholars in two schools 120 ; Families 91 ; Individuals 420 ; Sittings 500 ; Parochial Expenditures \$846.56 ; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$476.81 ; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$8.25 ; Treasurer of the Convention \$40.00 ; Home of the Friendless \$12.20 ; Diocesan Missions \$50.45 ; Domestic Missions \$10.50 ; Nashotah \$11.00 ; Clergy Relief \$9.25 ; For the rebuilding of "Old Monie Church," destroyed by a cyclone July 30, 1879 ; amount about to be expended, say \$1,650.00.

The Sunday School of All Saints', Monie, was suspended by the loss of the church building, but will be resumed when the church has been completed. Therefore only two schools, instead of three, are reported.

JOHN O. BARTON, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Wicomico Parish.

Ernest Pusey and Jefferson D. Coster, Wardens.

William Edgar Jones, William J. Anderson, M. Fillmore Bounds, William H. Groscup, Elias Bailey, John W. Barnett, Thomas Henry, P. Posten, A. Green, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 2 ; Infant 19=21 ; Confirmations 12 ; Marriages 5 ; Burials 4 ; Holy Communion administered 2 ; Communicants, present number 25.

Sunday School Teachers 8 ; Scholars 67 ; Families 18 ; Individuals 150 ; Sittings 150 ; Money Receipts \$95.14 ; Parochial Expenditures \$95.14.

All the above items (except the money offerings) are included in the report from "Somerset Parish." The 21 baptisms are for the time in which I have been holding services in this church. At Easter last the Parish was regularly organized by the election of a vestry, after an interval of many years. A good work is being done here.

JOHN O. BARTON, *Rector.*

TALBOT COUNTY.

St. Michael's Parish.

Dr. John C. Gibson and Owen Norris, Wardens.

Wm. Goldsborough, George Tyler, George R. Goldsborough, Chas. Lowndes, James Covey, William Willis, Owen Norris, John C. Adams, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 1 ; Infant 24=25 ; Confirmations 9 ; Marriages 3 ; Burials 11 ; Catechisings 24 ; Holy Communion administered 60 ; Communicants, added 9 ; removed 1 ; died 2 ; present number 165.

of Easton.

Scholars 120; Families 70; Individuals
\$3,397.00; Parochial Expenditures
and Purchases \$1,540.00; Alms and
Treasurer of the Convention \$40.00;
Home of the Friendless \$100.26;
Domestic Missions \$23.83; Foreign Missions
Miscellaneous \$133.96; Total \$3,397.01.

the new Church, and it would have
the contractor fulfilled his obligations.
completion. We have held services in
the Sunday School has been regularly con-
teachers.

ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, *Rector.*

St. Peter's Parish.

W. M. Holbyday, M. D., Warden.

W. M. Holbyday, W. H. Smith, M. T.
J. E. M. Chamberlaine, H. A. Bateman,

Communications 18; Marriages 4; Burials 11; Holy
Communicants, added 23; removed 9; died

Scholars 150; Families 75; Individuals
paid \$3,296.00; Parochial Expenditures
and Purchases \$235.00; Alms and
Treasurer of the Convention \$50.00;
Home of the Friendless \$90.00;
Domestic Missions \$16.40; Foreign Missions
Indian Missions \$59.06; Diocesan Charities

ROBERT WILSON, *Rector.*

Marsh Parish.

Dr. Alexander Matthews, Wardens.

Matthews, Robert Bartlett, William Kirby,
James T. Bartlett, James H. Benson,

13-15; Confirmations, 12; Marriage 1;
Sunday; Holy Communion administered 25;
removed 3; died 2; present number 110.

Scholars 60; Families 55; Individuals 275;
paid for Parochial Expenditures \$790.28;
Purchases \$1291.68; Alms and Charities within
Treasurer of the Convention \$50.00; Episcopal Fund

\$21.00; Home of the Friendless \$41.00; Diocesan Missions \$40.51; Domestic Missions (Indian) \$118.00; Foreign Missions \$21.00; Clergy Relief \$10.00; Irish Sufferers \$5.00; Church Bell—a memorial gift—\$190.00; Rectory and Organ Debt \$280.50; Miscellaneous \$175.00; Total \$3,172.26.

A residence as Rector of the Parish for nearly two years, and the more accurate knowledge acquired thereby, have compelled me to revise and correct the list of Communicants. A comparison of this report with that of last year will show a very considerable reduction. Yet the number given above embraces all who have the remotest right to be considered Communicants, and I am particular in saying that no names are removed, excepting for such reasons as death and removal. The Chapel in Oxford was completed early last July—the cost (so far met) being embraced in my present report of "Parochial Improvements and Purchases." With this convenient, comfortable and churchly building, we have good reason to expect steady, though general growth in our work, as God gives us patience, perseverance and unity of purpose and effort. In no sense independent, it is essentially a part of Whitemarsh Parish.

ALBERT R. WALKER, *Rector.*

Trinity Cathedral.

Baptisms, Adult 2; Infant 5=7; Confirmations 11; Marriage 1; Burials 4; Catechisings 12; Holy Communion administered 43; Communicants, added 15; removed 3; present number 59.

Sunday School Teachers 10; Scholars 60; Families 25; Individuals 135; Sitzings 200. Parochial Expenditures \$696.05; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$1044.69; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$69.85; Treasurer of the Convention \$10.00; Episcopal Fund \$8.50; Home of the Friendless \$56.23; Diocesan Missions \$52.30; Domestic Missions \$28.95; Foreign Missions \$26.40; Clergy Relief \$11.35; Miscellaneous \$14.61; Total amount given in the Parish \$2,018.93.

During the past year a commodious and substantial Clergy House has been erected on a large lot adjoining the Cathedral grounds, which lot has been paid for, and over one thousand dollars have been paid on account of the Clergy House.

RT. REV. H. C. LAY, *Rector.*

JNO. V. STRYKER, *Assistant Minister.*

WICOMICO COUNTY.

Salisbury Parish.

Dr. Eugene W. Humphrey and Elijah Parsons, Wardens.

John White, William Waller, Thos. F. J. Rider, J. Augustus Parsons, Gustavus W. White, Isaac S. Adams, Randolph Humphreys, L. P. Humphreys, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 4; Infant 34—38; Confirmations 19; Marriages 2; Burials 18; Catechisings 49; Holy Communion administered 27; Communicants, added 21; removed 2; died 5; present number 127.

Sunday School Teachers 16; Scholars 120; Families 60; Individuals 300; Sitzings 350. Parochial Expenditures \$1,476.98; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$803.08; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$183.00; Treasurer of the Convention \$30.00; Home of the Friendless \$11.17; Diocesan Missions \$31.98; Domestic Missions \$7.51; Clergy Relief \$13.54; Monument erected to Rev. Wm. Fulton, D. D., \$122.00; Church at Laurel, Del., \$100.00; Church at Monie, Somerset Parish, \$34.30; Church at Virginia \$15.00; Whitelock Memorial Window \$30.00; Font for St. Peter's Church, Salisbury, \$38.00; Altar Cloth (Easter Offering) \$50.00; Total \$2,943.56.

JAS. H. B. BROOKS, *Rector.*

Spring Hill Parish.

Ezekiel Hitch and John F. Collin, Wardens.

William Howard, V. F. Collier, Wm. Bennett, H. H. Kennerby, A. L. Jones, George Waller, George Hitch, Josephus A. Taylor, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 4; Infant 14=18; Confirmations 18; Marriages 5; Burials 9; Catechisings 50; Holy Communion administered 24; Communicants, added 37; removed 1; died 5; present number 136.

Sunday School Teachers 10; Scholars 56; Families 50; Individuals 250; Sitzings 500. Parochial Expenditures \$200.00; Home of the Friendless \$4.35; Diocesan Missions 8.25; Clergy Relief \$5.54; Total \$218.14.

J. H. B. BROOKS, *Rector.*

WORCESTER COUNTY.

Pocomoke Parish.

C. C. Lloyd and Geo. T. Truitt, Wardens.

N. N. McMaster, C. C. Lloyd, Jas. W. Dougherty, Bennett Mason, L. P. Hall, John K. Hayward, Dr. J. O. Smith, Geo. T. Truitt, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 8; Confirmations 24; Burials 5; Catechisings 16; Holy Communion administered 40; Communicants, added 21; removed 5; died 1; present number 105.

Sunday School Teachers (in two Schools) 12; Scholars (in two Schools) 120; Families 50; Individuals 325; Sitzings 400. Parochial Expenditures \$144.00; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$290.00; Treasurer of the Convention \$18.00; Home of the Friendless \$13.63; Diocesan Missions \$10.00; Domestic Missions \$2.30; Foreign Missions \$2.30; Clergy Relief \$1.14; Monument to Dr. Crosdale \$225.00; Assessments in Episcopal Fund \$15.00; Total \$1,298.62.

FRANCIS W. HILLIARD, *Rector.*

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All Hallows' Parish.

John J. Collins and James D. Hack, Wardens.

Baptisms, Adult 1 ; Infant 4=5 ; Confirmations 4 ; Burials 4 ; Communicants, present number 54.

Families 45 ; Individuals 100 ; Sitzings 350. Money Receipts \$338.25 ; Parochial Expenditures \$649.59 ; Domestic Missions \$13.75 ; Foreign Missions \$11.75.

The above was filled up with all the accuracy that could have been done under the circumstances. The Rev. Mr. Allen has been absent in the North for several weeks for the benefit of his health.

DANIEL N. ALLEN, *Rector.*

SAMUEL H. TOWNSEND, *Registrar.*

Worcester Parish.

Josiah M. Marshall and Jno. R. Purnell, Wardens.

J. T. Hammond, Wm. Showell, E. P. Dinikson, Jno. S. Purnell, Joseph Miller, W. S. Purnell, John F. Jones, H. C. Hudson, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 2 ; Burials 4 ; Holy Communion administered 5.

Money Receipts from all sources \$712.77 ; Parochial Expenditures \$712.77 ; Parochial Improvements and Purchases \$14.00 ; Alms and Charities within the Parish \$10.30 ; Treasurer of the Convention \$15 00 ; Home of the Friendless \$8.02 ; Diocesan Missions \$40.00 ; Domestic Missions \$21.34 ; Clergy Relief \$5.00 ; Other objects \$29.51.

CLERICAL REPORTS.

KENT ISLAND, *June 1, 1880.*

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir :

The following services were rendered by me in Christ Church Parish, Kent Island, during the years 1877, 1878, 1879 and 1880, none of them before reported. I was engaged in public school teaching all the time from October 1, 1876, to June of last year ; since then I have had no school, but expect to resume teaching next Fall. Baptized July 18, 1877, three children for John Wesley and Mary Jane Gardner at their residence, in Crab Alley Neck. September 2, 1877, preached and read "Burial of the Dead" at the interment of Anna Greaves, at the M. P. Church, Stevensville. Sunday, December 16, 1877, P. M., preached at M. E. Chapel, Crab Alley Neck, and at M. P. Church, Stevensville, in the evening. March 16, 1878, read "Burial Service" at the interment of James Chase. March, 1879, read part of the "Burial Service" at the funeral of Wm. E. G. Newnam, at his residence, Stevensville; the concluding part at the grave in Easton was performed by the minister there. Baptized, August 23, 1879, infant child of James B. and Mary E. Hopkins, at their residence. Baptized, September 20, 1879, an infant colored child, at the residence of J. B. Bright. Baptized, February 9, 1880, twin infants of James B. and Catherine E. Bright, at Sunny Side, their residence. Baptized, May 8, 1880, infant son of Samuel W. and Susan H. Thomas, at their residence.

Yours respectfully,

JOHN A. THOMPSON.

EASTON, *May 31, 1880.*

To the Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, D. D. :

During the past year I have assisted the Rector of St. Peter's Parish, and others, as far as the state of my health would permit. I have preached ten times, administered the Holy Communion once, and assisted in its administration twenty-one times. I have also conducted the theological studies of a Candidate for Orders, carrying him through the entire course of the Junior Year.

E. J. STEARNS.

PERRYMANSVILLE.

The undersigned respectfully reports, that for the past year physical disability has kept him from active work, and his time has been employed in study.

E. G. PERRYMAN.

Summary of Parochial Reports.

TABLE I.—Summary of Parochial Reports (Statistics of Persons).

PARISH OR CHURCH.	BAPTISMS.		Confirmations	COMMUNICANTS.					Families.	Individuals.	Marriages.	Funerals.	PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.		Sittings.
	Adult.	Infant.		Added.	Re-moved.	Died.	Present Number.						Teach-ers.	Schol-ars.	Teach-ers.	Schol-ars.	
St. John's.	3	17	6	5	4		54	26	180	7	3				3	40	300
St. Mary's, Whitech'l.	6	3	18	1		5	14	17	55	1	10				2	12	100
North Elm.		44		10		2	85	66	260	8	1				10	90	250
St. James.		6	5	5		1	68	26	150	1	8				9	80	200
N. Sassafras.	2	15	3	4	5	1	47	36	100	10	6				10	60	200
Trinity, Cecil.		3	3	4			82	65	268		6				5	36	200
Dorchester.		8	4	4			32	50	120	2	1				5	35	250
E. New Market.		5	4	4	3		33	16	75	2	1				6	80	100
Great Choptank.	1	18	12	20	5	1	190	100	500	5	7				19	120	400
Vienha.							116	100	38	5					15	112	100
Chester.		10	4	8	4	2	74	48	180	5	3				11	78	341
I. U.		4				1	24	25	160		4				6	63	200
North Kent.		7					43	30	160	1	1				3	30	200
St. Paul's, Kent.		23	8	10	4	3	60	60	200	8	3				8	30	200
Brewsbury.	1	10	18	12	2		100	60	250	5	3				8	30	200
Christ, Kentland.		5	2	3			82	10	75	2	4				4	32	75
St. Luke's, Q. A.	1	24	15	15	7	1	73	46	175	4	7				11	62	325
St. Paul's, Q. A.		19	6	16	5	4	131	68	876	8	12				10	60	360
Wye.			3				95	43	170								215
Somerset.		15	31	31	26	1	191	91	430	5	12				13	120	600
Covenly.		6	7	7			70	55	220						6	35	450
Wicomico.	2	19	13	9			25	18	160	5	4				8	67	150
Pocomoke.		8	24	31	5	1	105	70	335						12	100	400
Rt. Michael's.	1	24	9	9	1	2	165	70	440	3	5				15	130	500
St. Peter's.		16	15	23	3	4	202	75	500	4	11				15	140	450
Whitemarsh.	2	12	11	15	3	2	110	85	275	1	3				10	60	200
Cathedral.	2	5	11	15	3		89	55	135	1	4				10	60	200
Ballebury.	4	24	19	31	3	5	127	50	300	3	16				16	130	250
Spring Hill.	4	14	18	27	1		186	80	260	5	9				10	86	200
All Hallows.	1	4	4	27			54	45	100		4				4	25	250
Worcester.		2					403	35	130								250
Totals.	29	208	208	261	65	45	2016	11410	1100	96	121	3	65	341	1793	9716	

*Supplemented from former Reports.

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

TABLE II.—Summary of Parochial Reports (Statistics of Contributions).

PARISH OR CHURCH.	Parish Expenses.	Parish Im- provements.	Parish Charities.	Convention.	Episcopal Fund.	Home for Friendless.	Diocesan Missions.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Clergy Relief.	Other Purposes.
St. John's.....	\$250 21	.....	\$2 50	.....	.....	\$2 00	\$8 87	.....	.....	\$2 25	.....
St. Mary's, Whitechapel.....	91 80	\$80 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 60	.....
North Elk.....	947 80	650 00	125 00	\$15 00	.....	2 17	52 00	.....	.....	3 00	.....
St. James'.....	789 44	.....	88 14	12 50	.....	14 00	52 51	\$5 00	\$5 00	1 61	.....
N. Sassafras.....	.....	.....	20 00	50 00	.....	36 00	56 00	.....	.....	24 00	.....
Trinity, Cecil.....	961 31	.....	5 41	4 77	.....	7 30	81 40	3 35	.....	.....	.....
Dorchester.....	162 00	.....	14 39	8 00	.....	6 58	26 88	.....	.....	1 50	\$41 76
E. New Market.....	155 28	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 44	10 87	.....	.....	.....	.....
Great Choptank.....	1060 00	85 00	220 00	30 00	\$146 78	58 78	140 00	70 53	13 00	13 28	120 00
Vienna.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chester.....	1275 36	212 50	88 00	75 50	.....	.....	58 01	4 08	5 61	8 01	.....
I. U.....	220 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 20	2 00	.....	.....	5 00
North Kent.....	875 00	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Paul's, Kent.....	737 64	.....	12 00	.....	.....	6 40	32 42	.....	.....	.....	10 00
Shrewsbury.....	700 00	413 48	15 00	20 00	17 00	25 00	50 71	5 00	5 00	5 00	19 80
Christ, Kent Island.....	1200 00	2000 00	25 00	.....	.....	30	1 50	.....	.....	1 00	.....
St. Luke's, Q. A. Co.....	520 70	171 00	44 51	5 00	72 77	5 70	70 69	6 10	.....	7 15	.....
St. Paul's, Q. Anne's.....	1361 25	316 38	64 91	40 00	33 33	35 91	100 87	.....	.....	.....	260 00
Wye.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Somerset.....	846 56	1091 81	8 25	40 00	.....	12 20	50 45	21 50	.....	9 25	.....
Coventry.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 53	.....	.....	5 91	.....
Wilcomco.....	95 14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pocomoke.....	700 00	290 00	.....	18 00	15 00	13 63	25 00	3 44	2 30	6 25	225 00
St. Michael's.....	1310 00	1540 00	30 00	40 00	34 00	100 26	150 93	23 83	14 84	19 19	133 96
St. Peter's.....	1600 00	235 00	100 00	50 00	309 00	90 00	179 45	75 46	16 40	21 15	134 91
White Marsh.....	790 28	1762 18	38 29	50 00	21 00	41 00	40 51	118 00	21 00	10 00	180 00
Cathedral.....	696 05	1044 69	69 85	10 00	8 50	56 23	52 30	28 95	26 40	11 35	14 61
Salisbury.....	1476 98	920 08	183 00	30 00	.....	11 17	31 98	7 51	.....	13 54	271 30
Spring Hill.....	200 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 85	8 25	.....	.....	5 54	.....
All Hallow's.....	649 59	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 75	11 75	.....	.....
Worcester.....	712 77	14 00	10 30	15 00	.....	8 02	40 00	21 84	.....	5 00	29 51
Totals.....	\$20325 26	\$10775 99	\$533 77	*\$599 00	*\$447 55	*\$625 08	*\$1619 65	\$415 79	\$121 30	*\$314 07	\$1435 95

*These aggregates are taken from the several Diocesan Treasurers, as being more accurate.

APPENDIX.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

Convention of the Diocese of Easton in account with

THOMAS HUGHLETT, Treasurer.

DR.

1879.	June 5.	To cash paid Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell, Secretary of Convention, per order of same.....	\$25 00
	" 5.	To cash paid sexton of All Hallows' Church.....	10 00
	" 17.	To cash paid Rev. J. O. Barton, D. D., as per voucher marked No. 3.....	10 50
	" 24.	To check to Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, as per voucher marked No. 4.....	62 50
	July	To cash paid Rev. J. O. Barton, D. D., as per voucher marked No. 5.....	3 10
	August	To cash paid Messrs. Innes & Co., as per voucher marked No. 6.....	146 36
	Dec. 15.	To cash paid Rev. Dr. Wilson and Rev. Mr. Mitchell, as per voucher marked No. 7....	4 75
1880.	Jan. 16.	To cash paid Prof. Minnick, as per voucher No. 8.	44
	Feb. 21.	To cash paid Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay by check, as voucher No. 9.....	15 40
	May 11.	To Post Office order in favor of Rev. T. P. Barber, as per receipt.....	3 50
	" "	To printing 100 circulars.....	1 00
	" 18.	To check to Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, to balance on travelling expenses to 1st of June 1880....	187 50
	" 18.	To cash paid for stamps and paper.....	1 50
	" 31.	To cash paid Rev. E. J. Stearns, as per receipt, &c	5 75
		Balance in hand.....	273 66
			\$750 96

CR.

1879.	June 5.	Balance in hand.....	151 96
	" "	By cash of the Rev. C. E. Milnor, chairman of the committee on Parochial Contributions.....	584 00
	Sept. 15.	By cash of C. G. Lloyd, on account of Coventry Parish.....	15 00
			\$750 96

All of which is most respectfully submitted,

THOMAS HUGHLETT, Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF BOARD OF DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

The Board of Diocesan Missions in account with I. L. ADKINS, Treasurer.

Dr.

1879-80. July to April.	To cash paid drafts of the Bishop, Dor-	
	chester Parish	\$250 00
	East New Market..	300 00
	St. Michael's Parish.	200 00
	St. Luke's Parish.	200 00
	Coventry Parish.	150 00
	St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish...	83 33
	St. James' Church Parish.....	250 00
	For Printing.....	12 50
	Balance in hand.....	\$192 91
		<hr/>
		\$1638 74

Cr.

By balance on hand at last report.....	19 09
Cash from Great Choptank Parish.....	142 00
St. Michael's Parish.....	110 93
St. Peter's Parish.....	172 45
St. James' Church	52 52
All Saints' Church.....	40 00
All Hallows' Parish.....	44 51
Shrewsbury Parish.....	95 43
Chester Parish.....	90 85
Trinity Cathedral.....	52 30
S Luke's Parish.. ..	72 57
Dorchester Parish..	28 68
North Elk Parish	52 54
Trinity Parish	82 98
Pocomoke Parish.....	30 95
Coventry Parish.	17 47
Worcester Parish.....	39 58
Spring Hill Parish.....	8 11
Salisbury Parish.....	26 73
Somerset Parish.....	53 45
Stepney Parish	3 30
East New Market Parish.....	21 01
Vienna Parish.	6 00
Whitemarsh Parish.....	40 51
Wye Parish.....	42 13
St. Paul's, Queen Anne.....	98 80
St. Paul's, Kent.....	32 43
North Sassafras Parish.....	64 33
North Kent Parish.....	8 47

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

I. U. Parish	3 20
St. John's Parish.....	4 61
St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish..	6 61
Special Contributions.....	74 00

\$1638 74

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF CLERGY RELIEF FUND.

1879.

June 1.	Cash balance on hand as per last report.....	\$680 08
" "	One year's interest thereon, from May 31, 1879...	40 80
		<hr/> \$720 88

Contributions received since last report :

" 2.	From St. Peter's Parish.....	13 00
" "	" St. Michael's Parish.....	11 00
" 3.	" St. Paul's Church, Centreville.....	11 00
" 4.	" Trinity Church, Dorchester Parish.....	1 07
" 18.	" Somerset Parish.....	19 60
July 7.	" St. Michael's Parish, by a lady.....	25
" 17.	" St. Peter's Church, Salisbury.....	5 54
Sept. 13.	" Worcester Parish.....	5 00
Oct.	" Chester Parish.....	7 09
"	" Whitemarsh Parish.....	8 18
"	" St. Paul's Parish.....	5 00
"	" Pocomoke Parish.....	2 25
Nov. 12.	" St. Luke's Parish, Queen Anne's Co.....	4 75
1880.		
May 18.	" Whitemarsh Parish.....	10 00
18.	" St. John's Parish.....	2 25
18.	" North Elk Parish.....	8 00
18.	" St. Peter's Church, Salisbury.....	8 00
18.	" St. James' Church, Port Deposit.....	1 61
19.	" Great Choptank Parish.....	13 23
23.	" St. Peter's Parish.....	21 15
23	" Chester Parish.....	8 01
23.	" Trinity Cathedral.....	11 00
Mch. 31.	" Shrewsbury Parish.....	19 00
May 25.	" St. Luke's Parish, Queen Anne's County.....	2 40
27.	" Trinity Church, Dorchester Parish.....	1 50
31.	" All Saints' Church.....	14 19
	" August and February dividends on 6 shares of stock of Masonic Hall Association of Easton.....	24 00

Amount in my hands, May 31, 1880..... \$958 95

EDMUND L. F. HARDCASTLE, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

With Treasurer's Statement.

RECEIVED.

On account of subscriptions.....	\$141 30	
From sales of stocks, viz : 2,000 Mar. & Cin., 2d mort. bonds.....	1495 00	
1,000 North. Pacific.....	822 50	
1,000 Burl. & G. Rapids.....	200 00	
Balance at last Report.....	393 53	
	————	\$3052 33

EXPENDED.

For stamps, Safe Deposit box, &c.....	\$15 00
For commissions to collectors.....	29 82
For taxes.....	124 09

INVESTED.

2,000 Mar. & Cin. 1st mort. bonds.....	\$2058 00	
Balance for investment.....	825 42	
	————	\$3052 33

RECEIPTS.

From interest and dividends.....	\$2127 88	
From extra assessments—eleven Parishes paid	306 25	
Balance from last year.....	71 43	
	————	\$3505 56

PAYMENTS.

Four quarters salary of the Bishop.....	\$2500 00	
Leaving in hand to pay salary of the Bishop.....	5 56	
	————	\$2505 56

I. L. ADKINS, *Treasurer.*

The Trustees respectfully submit the above statement, especially inviting the attention of the Convention to the fact that less than half of the thousand dollars assessed to the Parishes in the two years passed has been paid in—and in this small contribution only about half of the Parishes have joined, important as the purpose is known to be. Unless those in arrear promptly pay their quota, and all the Parishes respond this year, as contemplated by resolutions of the Convention, it will be difficult to make the quarterly payments of the Bishop's salary punctually.

The special collectors have not had much success in settling with delinquent subscribers, or in getting new subscriptions. The obstacles cannot well be narrated in this brief Report.

Resort to the courts has not yet been taken to secure defaulted subscription and interest balances, but this cannot be deferred much longer, if such must be the remedy.

The Convention will not, of course, abandon the effort to enlarge our resources, which will be scanty enough till some of the old obligations are turned to account and the unproductive investments again yield returns.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD B. CARMICHAEL,
CHARLES LOWNDES,
EDMUND L. F. HARDCASTLE,
GEORGE R. GOLDSBOROUGH,
W. S. WALKER,
I. L. ADKINS.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF TRUST FUND.

THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer, In account with Trust Fund of the Convention of the P. E. Church, in the diocese of Easton.*

DR.

1879. Jan. 28.	To amount of legacy of Dr. Crossdale to the Convention of the P. E. Church in the Diocese of Easton.....	\$228 92
	To interest on same to June 18th, '79.....	2 85
July 4th.	Amount received of H. C. Lay, for Stepney Parish	89 49
		<hr/> \$321 26

CR.

1879. Aug. 1.	By amount invested in mortgage on farm of C. H. Rigby.....	\$321 26
	To interest on mortgage to Feb. 1st, 1880.....	\$9 64
	By amount for Coventry Parish.....	6 96
	By amount for Stepney Parish	2 68
		<hr/> \$9 64

The mortgage of \$321.26 with the interest that has accrued upon it to date has been assigned, by the order of the Board of Trustees, to Edmund G. Davy, Westover, Somerset County, Md., he having paid over to me the portion of said mortgage belonging to Stepney Parish, which leaves in my hands, for investment for the use of Stepney Parish, \$93.96.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer.*

TENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN OF THE DIOCESE OF EASTON.

Again we render to the Convention, to whom we are accountable for the good conduct of the Institution, our Annual Report.

During the year we have received four children and have placed at good homes three of the larger girls; the number of inmates at present is twenty-two. Those received have been duly indentured to the Board.

During the months of August and September, several cases of serious illness occurred, but by good nursing and assiduous and skillful treatment, passed off without fatal result.

Donations, both of money and provisions, were sent in most liberally at Thanksgiving, and we were thereby enabled to pay one hundred dollars of the debt for the new kitchen, leaving only another one hundred dollars to be paid before its extinguishment. In June a Pound Party was held at the Home when the funds were low, which resulted in a well filled pantry, and the receipt of a pound of silver money (\$16.00).

The Managers, desiring to defer, with the utmost respect, to the authority of the Convention, have not failed carefully to consider so much of its action, at its last session, as seemed to imply dissatisfaction with the Board.

Especially in the matter of employing a legal adviser, they venture to submit that they have not exceeded the power given them in Article IV, of the Constitution. "The government of this Institution shall be vested in the Bishop of the Diocese of Easton, and in a Board of Managers to be annually elected by the Convention of the Diocese of Easton. The Bishop aforesaid shall exercise a general supervision over the Institution. He may direct, from time to time, the devotions and religious teaching thereof. The election of Chaplains, Matrons, and *other officers* shall be subject to his confirmation, and his written consent shall be necessary for the purchase of property, the erection of buildings and the sale of any real estate belonging to the Institution. The Board of Managers shall have, subject to the foregoing provisions, control of the property and funds of the Institution, and shall use and apply the same in such manner as shall be best calculated to accomplish its benevolent objects; they shall have power to enact their own By-Laws and Regulations, fill any vacancies that may occur in their own body, during the recess of the Convention of the Diocese of Easton, by death or otherwise; they shall have power to employ agents and officers of the Institution, and determine their compensation and generally to adopt such measures as shall promote the beneficent ends of the Institution, &c."

The functions of the Council of Advice (with whom from time to time they have been glad to confer), in the very nature of the case must be limited to matters of gravity sufficient to authorize the convening of a number of persons.

Moreover, these gentlemen are appointed to *confer* with us—not to transact the business of the Institution. But in every individual case where a child is indentured, the assistance of an attorney to draw up the papers, to advise, and sometimes to conduct the proceedings in Court, has been found a necessity. If the Convention disapproves of our employment of such professional aid, the Managers would desire to be so instructed. But we cannot think that such was the intent of its action. We suppose that every individual and every corporation having business in the courts is at liberty, without special authorization, to avail themselves of indispensable professional aid. This aid has always been rendered to us most cheerfully and free of cost, and our thanks are justly due therefore.

All which is respectfully submitted in behalf of the Board.

ELIZA W. LAY, *President.*

D. CORNELIA DAWSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

LIST OF PARISHES CLOTHING A CHILD.

St. Mary Anne's Parish; Great Choptank Parish; North Sassafras Parish; Trinity and North Elk Parishes, jointly; St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's Co.; Chester Parish; Whitemarsh Parish; Princess Anne; Berlin; Salisbury; Sunday School of Chestertown, Kent Co.; Christ Church Guild, Denton; Happy Thought Society, Wye Parish; St. Michael's Parish clothes three children. Two ladies of Baltimore clothe one child.

LIST OF BOXES AND BARRELS RECEIVED.

A barrel of flour, Mrs. Travers, of Talbot; from Dorchester Parish, one box of groceries, soap and dry goods. At Thanksgiving—from All Saints' Church, a wagon load of poultry and vegetables; North Sassafras Parish, a box of groceries and bacon; from Salisbury, a box of groceries, clothing and dried fruit; from Port Deposit, a box of groceries, dressed poultry, &c.; St. Paul's Church, Centreville, a wagon load of poultry, vegetables, bacon, &c.; Trappe, vegetables, poultry, fruit, &c.; Elkton, a large and very valuable box, containing groceries, soap, large quantities of flannel, muslin, calico, &c., ready-made clothing, toys for the children, &c.; Trinity Chapel, Easton, the Thanksgiving dressing of fruit, corn, vegetables, &c.; from a friend, a barrel of flour; from Baltimore, a barrel of flour; Denton, a very nice box containing bacon, potatoes, soap, groceries, fruit, &c.; Chester Parish, Chestertown, a box of groceries, fruit, books, and toys for the children; Mrs. Wetherill of Somerset, a box of groceries, dried beef, dried fruit, &c.; Princess Anne, a box of groceries and dried fruit; Elkton, a barrel of meal and five pounds of rice; Rev. E. F. Dashiell, two quarters of beef; Pocomoke Parish, a box of bacon, beef, groceries, dried fruit, soap, &c. At Easter—from Miss Ringgold of Baltimore, box of cake, candy, Easter eggs, and cards for the children; T. C. Nicols, of Easton, a hog; R. J. Trippe, of Easton, a barrel of apples; Sunday School of Whitemarsh Parish, two dollars to be expended by the Orphans; from Col. H. E. Bateman, several fine hams; other donations from various individuals of Easton and vicinity.

LIST OF OFFICERS.

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" J. C. W. POWELL, *Recording Secretary.*

" G. R. GOLDSBOROUGH, *Treasurer.*

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MISS S. PHILLIPS.

Home for Friendless Children

in account with MRS. J. E. M. CHAMBERLAINE.

Cecil County, North Sassafras Parish, St. Stephen's Church.	\$16 00	
“ “ Trinity Parish, Elkton.....	7 17	
“ “ North Elk Parish, St. Mary Anne's Church...	8 00	
Total from Cecil County.....	_____	\$31 17
Kent County, Shrewsbury Parish.....	25 00	
“ “ Chester Parish, St. Paul's Ch., Chestertown...	13 25	
“ “ Sent in box from Chester Parish	5 55	
“ “ St Paul's Parish, St. Paul's Church.....	6 40	
Total from Kent County.....	_____	50 20
Queen Anne's County, St. Paul's Parish, Centreville.....	37 00	
“ “ St. Luke's Church, Church Hill.....	8 45	
“ “ Wye Parish.....	8 00	
Total from Queen Anne's Co.....	_____	53 45
Talbot County, St. Peter's Parish, Christ Church, Easton....	90 50	
“ “ The Cathedral.....	56 23	
“ “ In Easton and vicinity.....	13 00	
“ “ All Saints' Church	65 00	
“ “ St. Michael's Parish, Christ Church.....	39 81	
“ “ “ “ “ St. John's Chapel.....	9 51	
“ “ “Earnest Workers,” of St. Michael's.....	30 00	
“ “ Whitemarsh Parish.....	41 00	
Total from Talbot County.....	_____	345 04
Caroline County, St. Mary's, Whitechapel Parish.....	1 00	
“ “ St. John's Par., St. Paul's Ch., Hillsboro.	2 00	
Total from Caroline County.....	_____	3 00
Dorchester County, Great Choptank Parish.....	55 75	
“ “ From a little girl who fell asleep in Jesus and requested her Christmas money to be given to the poor.....	1 03	

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CORRECTIONS :—Page 48, 3rd line, for Rev. E. E. Dashiell read Rev. E. F. Dashiell; Page 48, 10th line, after the word *with* insert *Report of*; Page 55, 35th line, for 2063, read 2516; Page 58, 4th line, for Dr. read *Mr.*

CONVENTION ASSESSMENTS.

**For Diocesan Expenses,
Due June, 1881.**

St. John's, Caroline.....	\$5 00
St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	5 00
St. Mary Anne's.....	15 00
North Sassafras.....	50 00
Trinity, Elkton.....	20 00
St. James', Port Deposit.....	12 50
Dorchester Parish.....	8 00
East Newmarket.....	8 00
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Vienna.....	5 00
Chester Parish.....	40 00
I. U.....	10 00
North Kent.....	20 00
St. Paul's, Kent.....	20 00
Shrewsbury.....	20 00
Wye Parish.....	10 00
Christ Church, Q. A.....	15 00
St. Luke's, Q. A.....	5 00
St. Paul's, Q. A....	10 00
Coventry Parish.....	10 00
Somerset Parish...	10 00
Pocomoke Parish.....	18 00
St. Michael's Parish.....	40 00
St. Peter's Parish	50 00
Whitemarsh Parish.....	25 00
Trinity Cathedral.....	10 00
Spring Hill Parish.....	12 00
Salisbury Parish	18 00
All Hallows' Parish.....	18 00
Worcester Parish.....	15 00

A BRIEF PASTORAL TO ACCOMPANY THE JOURNAL.

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To the intent that we may always be in readiness to die, whenever it shall please Almighty God to call us, we must often receive the Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ.

Moreover, every just man should be careful while he is in health, to make his Will and to declare his Debts what he oweth, and what is owing unto him, for the better discharging of his conscience and the quietness of his executors. Such persons as are of ability should be liberal to the poor.

Legacies may be left to the various charities and religious undertakings of the Diocese by the names and designations given herewith.

HENRY C. LAY,
Bishop of Easton.

1. "I give to the CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
IN THE DIOCESE OF EASTON" the sum of _____ Dollars to
 - a. the uses and purposes of said Convention or
 - b. for the use of the Clergy Relief Fund of said
Convention or
 - c. for the use of the Episcopal Fund of said
Diocese or
 - d. for the Missions of the Diocese, or for any
other specific use.
2. "I give to TRINITY CATHEDRAL, EASTON"
 - a. for the purpose of building or repairs or
 - b. for the endowment thereof, the annual profits
only to be expended or
 - c. for charitable uses, to be expended by the
Bishop of said Cathedral
3. "I give to the HOME FOR THE FRIENDLESS CHILDREN OF THE
EASTERN SHORE OF MARYLAND" _____ Dollars
4. "I give to the VESTRY OF _____ PARISH" or else
"I give to the CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
IN THE DIOCESE OF EASTON," as Trustees for _____ Parish
the sum of _____ Dollars, the annual proceeds thereof
to be devoted to the support of the Rector, or to the repairs of the
Church, or to any other object specified



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HENRY C. LAY,
Bishop of Exeter

1. "I give to the CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF EXETER" the sum of Dollars for
 - a. the uses and purposes of said Convention; or
 - b. for the use of the Clergy Relief Fund of said Convention; or
 - c. for the use of the Episcopal Fund of said Diocese; or
 - d. for the Missions of the Diocese, or for any other specific use.
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 - a. for the purpose of building or repairs; or
 - b. for the endowment thereof, the annual profits only to be expended; or
 - c. for charitable uses, to be expended by the Bishop of said Cathedral.
3. "I give to the HOME FOR THE FRIENDLESS CHILDREN OF THE EASTERN SHORE OF MARYLAND" Dollars.
4. "I give to the VESTRY OF PARISH" or else
"I give to the CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF EXETER," as Trustees for Parish
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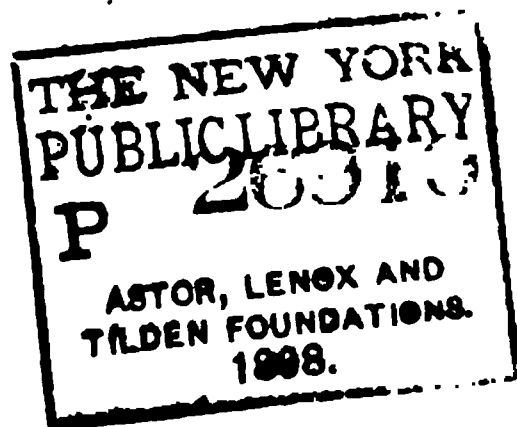
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LIST OF THE CLERGY
OF THE
DIOCESE OF EASTON, JUNE 1st, 1881.

Those whose names are in *italics* are not entitled to a seat in Convention, and those marked with an * did not attend its sessions.

The Rt. Rev. HENRY C. LAY, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese.

“ Rev. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D., Rector of Great Choptank Parish.

“ “ **John A. Thompson*, residing on Kent Island.

“ “ ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, Rector of St. Michael's Parish.

“ “ *GEORGE F. BEAVEN, Rector of St. John's Parish.

“ “ *JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D., Deacon, Assistant Minister of Great Choptank Parish.

“ “ **Thomas L. Green*, residing at Church Hill.

“ “ *JOSEPH N. WATTSON, Rector of North Kent Parish.

“ “ JOHN O. BARTON, D. D., Rector of Somerset Parish.

“ “ JAMES A. MITCHELL, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Q. A. Co.

“ “ ROBERT WILSON, M. D., Rector of St. Peter's Parish.

“ “ *JOHN MARTIN, Rector of Shrewsbury Parish.

“ “ E. J. STEAKNS, D. D., Examining Chaplain.

“ “ *George S. Fitzhugh*, residing near Berlin.

“ “ **Edward G. Perryman*, Perrymansville, Md.

“ “ *STEPHEN C. ROBERTS, Rector of Chester Parish.

“ “ LEWIS WALKE, Rector of North Sassafras Parish.

“ “ *SEWELL S. HEPBRON, Rector of St. Paul's, Kent Co., and I. U. Parishes.

“ “ E. K. MILLER, Rector of North Elk Parish.

“ “ PHILIP D. THOMPSON, Rector of Christ Church Parish.

“ “ **Pierre Du Gué Trapier*.

“ “ W. Y. BEAVEN, Minister at All Saint's Church.

“ “ WILLARD G. DAVENPORT, Rector of St. Luke's, Q. A. Co.

“ “ W. WALLACE GREENE, Rector of Dorchester Parish.

“ “ J. H. B. BROOKS, Rector of Spring Hill Parish.

“ “ HARRISON CRUIKSHANK, M. D., Rector of Coventry Parish.

“ “ FRANCIS W. HILLIARD, Rector of Pocomoke Parish.

“ “ ALBERT R. WALKER, Rector of Whitemarsh Parish.

“ “ WILLIAM SCHOULER, Rector of Trinity Parish.

“ “ ALBERT WARE, Rector of Wye Parish.

“ “ HENRY T. LEE, Rector of Worcester Parish.

“ “ S. D. HALL, Rector of St. Mary's Whitechapel.

“ “ *F. B. CROZIER, Minister at St. John's, Miles River.

“ “ A. BATTE, Rector of All Hallows' Parish.

“ “ *J. W. LARMOUR, Assistant Minister of Trinity Cathedral.

“ “ JAMES CARMICHAEL, D. D., Rector of St. James' Church, Port Deposit.

In all, the Bishop, 1 Deacon and 34 Priests=36.

LIST OF CLERGY,
WITH POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

- 1 The Rt. Rev. HENRY C. LAY, D. D., LL. D., Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
- 2 " Rev. THEODORE P. BARBER, D. D., Cambridge, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 3 " " A. BATTE, Snow Hill, Worcester Co., Md.
- 4 " " JOHN O. BARTON, D. D., Princess Anne, Somerset Co., Md.
- 5 " " GEORGE F. BEAVEN, Hillsborough, Caroline Co., Md.
- 6 " " W. Y. BEAVEN, Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
- 7 " " J. H. B. BROOKS, Salisbury, Wicomico Co., Md.
- 8 " " JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D., Cambridge, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 9 " " JAS. CARMICHAEL, D. D., Port Deposit, Cecil Co., Md.
- 10 " " F. B. CROZIER, Tunis' Mill, Talbot Co., Md.
- 11 " " HARRISON CRUIKSHANK, Westover, Somerset Co., Md.
- 12 " " ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, St. Michael's, Talbot Co., Md.
- 13 " " W. G. DAVENPORT, Church Hill, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 14 " " GEO. S. FITZHUGH, Berlin, Worcester Co., Md.
- 15 " " THOS. L. GREEN, Church Hill, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 16 " " W. WALLACE GREENE, Church Creek, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 17 " " S. D. HALL, Denton, Caroline Co., Md.
- 18 " " SEWELL S. HEPBRON, Fairleigh, Kent Co., Md.
- 19 " " F. W. HILLIARD, Pocomoke City, Worcester Co., Md.
- 20 " " J. W. LARMOUR, Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
- 21 " " H. T. LEE, Berlin, Worcester Co., Md.
- 22 " " JOHN MARTIN, Locust Grove, Kent Co., Md.
- 23 " " ENOCH K. MILLER, North East, Cecil Co., Md.
- 24 " " JAS. A. MITCHELL, Centreville, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 25 " " EDWARD G. PERRYMAN, Perrymansville, Harford Co., Md.
- 26 " " STEPHEN C. ROBERTS, Chestertown, Kent Co., Md.
- 27 " " WILLIAM SCHOULER, Elkton, Cecil Co., Md.
- 28 " " EDWARD J. STEARNS, D. D., Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
- 29 " " JOHN A. THOMPSON, Kent Island, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 30 " " PHILIP D. THOMPSON, Kent Island, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 31 " " PIERRE DU GUE TRAPIER.
- 32 " " LEWIS WALKE, Earlville, Cecil Co., Md.
- 33 " " ALBERT R. WALKER, Trappe, Talbot Co., Md.
- 34 " " A. WARE, Wye Mills, Talbot Co., Md.
- 35 " " J. N. WATTSON, Massey's, Kent Co., Md.
- 36 " " ROBERT WILSON, M. D., Easton, Talbot Co., Md.

LIST
OF
PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS IN THE DIOCESE OF
EASTON, WITH THE CLERGY OF THE SAME;
AND OF
LAY DELEGATES TO THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

Lay Delegates marked with an * did not attend.

NOTE.—The name in small capitals is that of the Corporation. The report of the Parish includes the statistics of all its congregations. It is an error to set the Parish in the list of contributors, and then to write down each of its churches or chapels as non-contributing.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S PARISH.

Lay Delegates.

St. Paul's Church, Hillsborough,
Church of the Holy Trinity, Greensborough,
Rev. George F. Beaven, Rector.

Chas. R. Wooters.

ST. MARY'S WHITECHAPEL PARISH.

Christ Church, Denton.

* G. W. Russum.

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CECIL COUNTY.

AUGUSTINE PARISH.

St. Augustine Church.

NORTH ELK PARISH.

St. Mary Anne's Church, North East,
St. Mark's Chapel, Perryville,
St. John's in the Wilderness,

Rev. Enoch K. Miller, Rector.

Henry S. Coudon.

NORTH SASSAFRAS PARISH.

St. Stephen's Church,
St. Stephen's Chapel, Cecilton,
Rev. Lewis Walke, Rector.

* John C. Crookshank.

TRINITY PARISH

Trinity Church, Elkton,
Rev. Wm. Schouler, Rector.

R. C. Mackall.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

• St. James' Church, Port Deposit,
Rev. J. Carmichael, D. D., Rector.

Robt. C. Hopkins.

DORCHESTER COUNTY.**DORCHESTER PARISH.***Lay Delegates.*

Trinity Church, Church Creek,
 Grace Church, Taylor's Island,
 Rev. W. W. Greene, Rector.

W. W. Mace.

EAST NEW MARKET PARISH.

St. Stephen's Church, East New Market.

* Thos. J. Helsby.

GREAT CHOPTANK PARISH.

Christ Church, Cambridge,
 St. John's Chapel, Castle Haven Neck.
 Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., Rector.
 Rev. Jas. L. Bryan, M. D., Deacon,
 Assistant Minister.

Dan'l M. Henry.
 Edwin Dashiell.

VIENNA PARISH.

St. Paul's Church, Vienna.

Wm. S. Craft.

KENT COUNTY.**CHESTER PARISH.**

St. Paul's Church, Chestertown,
 Rev. Stephen C. Roberts, Rector.

Wm. S. Walker.

I. U. PARISH.

Christ Church,
 Rev. Sewell S. Hepbron, Rector.

NORTH KENT PARISH.

St. Clement's Church, Massey's,
 Chapel of the Holy Cross, Millington,
 Rev. Joseph N. Wattson, Rector.

* L. M. Bean.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH.

St. Paul's Church,
 Rev. Sewell S. Hepbron, Rector.

SHREWSBURY PARISH.

Shrewsbury Church,
 St. Andrew's Chapel, Galena,
 Rev. John Martin, Rector.

John W. Ireland.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.**CHRIST CHURCH PARISH.**

Christ Church, Kent Island,
 Rev. Philip D. Thompson, Rector.

* Ed. C. Legg.

ST. LUKE'S PARISH

St. Luke's Church, Church Hill,
 St. Andrew's Chapel, Sudlersville,
 Rev. W. G. Davenport, Rector.

G. W. Parvis, M. D

ST. PAUL'S PARISH.

St. Paul's Church, Centreville,
 Rev. James A. Mitchell, Rector.

Wm. H. Warren.

QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT COUNTIES.

WYE PARISH.

Lay Delegates.

St. Luke's Church, Queenstown,
St. Luke's Chapel, Wye,
Rev. A. Ware, Rector.

R. B. Carmichael.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

COVENTRY PARISH.

Rehoboth Church, Rehoboth,
St. Paul's Church, Annamessex,
St. Mark's Church, Kingston,
St. Stephen's Church, Fairmount,
Rev. H. Cruikshank, M. D., Rector.

Chas. A. Curtis.

SOMERSET PARISH.

All Saints, Monie,
St. Andrew's Church, Princess Anne,
Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., Rector.

Wm. H. Gale, M. D.

WICOMICO PARISH.

Grace Church.

W. H. Groscup.

SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

POCOMOKE PARISH.

St. Mary's Church, Pocomoke City,
St. Stephen's Church, Naswaddux,
Rev. Francis W. Hilliard, Rector.

S. S. McMaster.

TALBOT COUNTY.

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH.

Christ Church, St. Michael's,
Chapel of the Holy Innocents, Claiborne,
St. Paul's Chapel, Royal Oak,
Rev. E. F. Dashiell, Rector.

Geo. E. Haddaway.

ST. PETER'S PARISH.

Christ Church, Easton,
Rev. Robert Wilson, M. D., Rector.

I. L. Adkins, M. D.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, OXFORD.

WHITEMARSH PARISH

St. Peter's Church, Whitemarsh,
St. Paul's Church, Trappe,
Grace Chapel, Oxford,
Rev. Albert R. Walker, Rector.

E. M. Hardcastle, M. D.

*Diocesan Convention of Easton.***TRINITY CATHEDRAL.***Lay Delegates.*

Trinity Chapel,
Chapel of the Holy Cross, Easton Point,
The Bishop, Rector.

Rev. J. W. Larmour,
Assistant Minister.

H. E. Bateman.
* Jas. P. Dawson.

ALL SAINTS' PARISH.

All Saints' Church,
Rev. W. Y. Beaven, Rector.

Geo. R. Goldsborough.

MILES RIVER PARISH (provisional).

St. John's Church,
Rev. F. B. Crozier, Minister.

WICOMICO COUNTY.**St. MATTHEW'S PARISH.**

St. Matthew's Church.

SALISBURY PARISH.

St. Peter's Church, Salisbury,
Rev. J. H. B. Brooks, Rector.

Chas. F. Holland.

SPRING HILL PARISH.

St. Peter's Church,
St. Philip's Chapel, Quantico,
Rev. J. H. B. Brooks, Rector.

Geo. W. Waller.

TRASKIN PARISH.

St. George's Church, Green Hill,
St. Mary's Chapel, Traskin.

WORCESTER COUNTY.**St. MALLONS PARISH.**

St. Mallons' Church, Snow Hill,
St. John's Church, Traptown,
Chapel of the Holy Cross, Sandy Hill.
Rev. A. Kette, Rector.

G. W. Bishop, M. D.

St. MARTIN'S PARISH.

St. Paul's Church, Berlin,
St. Martin's Church, St. Martin.
Rev. B. F. Lee, Rector.

John S. Purnell.

There were 12 Unincorporated Parishes and Congregations (represented at the
Annual Union Convention by 22 Lay Delegates), and 61 Churches and
Congregations.

**OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES OF THE THIRTEENTH
ANNUAL CONVENTION.**

OFFICERS:

**The Right Rev. HENRY CHAMPLIN LAY, D. D., LL. D.,
President.**

**The Rev. JAMES A. MITCHELL,
Secretary, Centreville, Md.**

**WM. S. WALKER, ESQ.,
Assistant Secretary, Chestertown, Md.**

**THOMAS HUGHLETT, ESQ.,
Treasurer of the Convention, Easton, Md.**

**I. L. ADKINS, M. D.,
Treasurer Diocesan Missions Fund, Easton.**

**E. L. F. HARDCASTLE,
Treasurer Clergy Relief Fund, Easton, Md.**

**The Rev. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D.,
Registrar of the Diocese, Cambridge, Md.**

Standing Committee

the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D. (President); the Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell
(Secretary); the Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., the Rev E. F. Dashiell,
the Rev. Robert Wilson, M. D.

Ecclesiastical Court (Elected 1880):

the Rev. Joseph N. Wattson, the Rev. George F. Beaven, the Rev. S. C.
Roberts.

Trustees of the Episcopal Fund:

Messrs. Richard B. Carmichael, I. L. Adkins, M. D., H. H. Dashiell,
Geo. R. Goldsborough, E. L. F. Hardcastle, Wm. S. Walker, Charles
Lowndes.

Board of Diocesan Missions:

the Bishop of the Diocese (President); the Rev. Lewis Walke, the Rev.
Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. F. W. Hilliard, Messrs I. L. Adkins,
M. D. (Treasurer); Jos. E. Chamberlaine, M. D.

Trustees of the General Theological Seminary :

the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, the Rev. Joseph N. Wattson, the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., the Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell.

The Board of Examiners in Theology :

the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., the Rev. E. F. Dashiell.

Trustees of the Clergy Relief Fund :

the Bishop (President *ex-officio*); the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, the Rev. Robert Wilson, M. D., and Messrs. E. L. F. Hardcastle, and John C. Earle, M. D.

Board of Managers of the Trust Fund of the Diocese :

the Bishop (Chairman *ex-officio*); Thomas Hughlett (Treasurer *ex-officio*); the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, Messrs. J. F. Bateman and I. L. Adkins, M. D.

Deputies to the General Convention :

the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, the Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., the Rev. J. N. Wattson, and Messrs. Wm. S. Walker, Isaac L. Adkins, M. D., Geo. R. Goldsborough, and Henry S. Coudon.

RULES OF ORDER.

- 1. The business of every day shall be introduced with Prayer.**
- 2. This Convention shall sit for the dispatch of business, beginning with Divine service, at such hours as each Convention may determine.**
- 3. At the opening of the Session, the Convention shall be called to order by the Bishop; or, if there be no Bishop, or he be absent, by the President of the Standing Committee, or by some member of that body, appointed by those of its members who may be present.**
- 4. The names of the Clergymen, from a list furnished by the Bishop, and if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee, shall then be called over by the Secretary of the last Convention, or, in his absence, by some person appointed by the Bishop, or other person, who called the Convention to order. The Lay Delegates shall then lay their Certificates upon the table, and subscribe the Declaration required by the Constitution. If a quorum of both orders appear, the Bishop, if present, shall announce the fact, and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.**
- 5. In case of the absence of the Bishop, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the person who called the Convention to order shall announce that there is a quorum present. The Convention shall then proceed to elect a President, according to the seventh article of the Constitution; who shall, so soon as his election is completed, take the chair and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.**
- 6. The first business after that declaration is made, either by the Bishop, or the President, shall be the election of a Secretary. The Chair may then appoint an Assistant Secretary and the Committees mentioned in the next Rule.**
- 7. The following Committees shall be appointed by the Chair: one on Rights of Clergymen to seats in this Convention, consisting of three Clergymen; one on Elections, to consist of three Laymen, to whom the testimonials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred; one on Accounts, to consist of three Laymen; one on Parochial Contributions and Assessments, to consist of one Clergyman and four Laymen; one on the admission of New Parishes and Congregations into union with this Convention, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman; one on the Episcopal Fund, to consist of two Laymen and one Clergyman; and one on Canons and other business, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman. The Chair shall also appoint all other Committees, for the appointment of which no other provision is made, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.**
- 8. Every member shall take his seat when the President takes the chair, and remain uncovered, until he shall have left the Convention.**
- 9. Every member, who shall speak in any debate, shall stand up in his place, and respectfully address himself to the President.**

of Easton.

to speak at the same time, the

in any debate, without leave.

more than twice on the same question

shall take his seat, when called to

so as to interrupt any member

the same shall be seconded, and,

seconded, the matter of the motion shall

of precedence, shall be to adjourn,

table, to amend and to offer a substi-

parts than one, any member may have the

be decided by the President; but there

shall stand as the judgment of

any report, unless upon a motion to

as of course, lie upon the table. If

Convention desirable, it shall be their

Resolutions, Acts, or Canons as they may

shall be subject to the action of the Con-

Parish, or in any way affects Parish

the new Boundaries, which it is intended

act upon any proposed Resolution,

to the provisions of this Rule.

unless otherwise ordered; the votes

and counted separately; but the

and the election shall be decided by

votes taken together, unless a vote by

agreeably to the fifth article of the Con-

at 12 M., on the second day of the

Standing Committee, and the other

Convention to appoint.

shall be deemed and considered the

until altered, or rescinded; and

Journal of each Convention.

Journal of Proceedings.

THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION *of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton* assembled at 10.30 A. M. in St. Peter's Church, Salisbury, on Wednesday, the first day of June, 1881.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Mr. Mitchell, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Wilson and Dashiell. The Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Barber and the Rev. Dr. Smith, celebrated the Holy Communion. The Sermon was preached by the Rev. John Cotton Smith, D. D., Rector of the Church of the Ascension, New York, from St. Matthew xxviii. 18-20.

Divine Service being concluded, the Bishop called the Convention to order.

The Secretary of the last Convention called the roll of the Clergy from a list furnished by the Bishop. The following Clergymen answered to their names :

The Rt. Rev. the Bishop.	The Rev. E. K. Miller,
“ Rev. T. P. Barber, D. D.,	“ “ Jas. A. Mitchell,
“ “ W. Y. Beaven,	“ “ Wm. Schouler,
“ “ J. H. B. Brooks,	“ “ E. J. Stearns, D. D.,
“ “ E. F. Dashiell,	“ “ P. D. Thompson,
“ “ W. G. Davenport,	“ “ Lewis Walke,
“ “ W. W. Greene,	“ “ Albert Ware,
“ “ Sam'l D. Hall	“ “ Robert Wilson, M.D.,
“ “ H. T. Lee,	“ “ A. R. Walker=18.

The Rev. Messrs. Fitzhugh and Batte were present, but not entitled to seats.

The certificates of Lay Delegates being laid upon the table, the Secretary proceeded to call the names of the Delegates from the same. The following Delegates answered to their names :

Messrs. I. L. Adkins,
Henry E. Bateman,
R. B. Carmichael,
Henry S. Coudon,
W. S. Craft,
Chas. A. Curtis,
Edwin Dashiell,
W. H. Gale, M. D.,
Geo. R. Goldsborough,
Chas. F. Holland,

Messrs. Ed. M. Hardcastle, M.D.
S. S. McMaster,
R. C. Mackall, M. D.,
W. W. Mace,
John S. Purnell,
G. W. Parvis, M. D.,
Geo. W. Waller,
Chas. R. Wooters,
Wm. S. Walker,
Wm. H. Warren=20.

A quorum of both orders being present, the President announced that the Convention was duly organized, and that the first business in order was the election of a Secretary.

The Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell was nominated for re-election, and on motion, the ballot being dispensed with, the Rev. Mr. Mitchell was elected.

The President appointed Mr. Wm. S. Walker, Assistant Secretary.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barber, it was

Resolved, That clergymen present without title to seats, visiting clergy, and candidates for Holy Orders, officers of the Diocese, and the vestry of Salisbury Parish, be invited to seats in this Convention.

The President announced the following Committees :

On Rights of Clergymen to Seats.—The Rev. Messrs. Miller, Walker and Thompson.

On Elections.—Messrs. S. S. McMaster, Gale and Coudon.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Dashiell, it was

Resolved, That when the Convention adjourn, it adjourn to meet this evening at 8 o'clock, and to-morrow at 9 o'clock for Morning Prayer.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, the Convention then adjourned.

5 P. M.

The Convention assembled for Divine Service, the Rev. Messrs. Walker, Thompson and Davenport, together with the Rector, officiating.

EVENING SESSION.

8 P. M.

The Convention was called to order by the President.

The Rev. Mr. Miller, from the Committee on the Rights of Clergy to Seats, reported the following clergymen entitled to seats :

The Rt. Rev. Henry C. Lay, D. D., LL. D., the Revs. Theodore P. Barber, D. D., Erastus F. Dashiell, George F. Beaven, James L. Bryan, M. D., Joseph N. Wattson, John O. Barton, D. D., James A. Mitchell, Robert Wilson, M. D., John Martin, Edward J. Stearns, D. D., Stephen C. Roberts, Lewis Walke, Sewell S. Hepbron, E. K. Miller, Philip D. Thompson, W. Y. Beaven, Willard G. Davenport, W. Wallace Greene, J. H. B. Brooks, Harrison Cruikshank, Francis W. Hilliard, Albert R. Walker, William Schouler, Albert Ware, Henry T. Lee, S. D. Hall.

In addition to clergy present at the Morning Session, the Rev. Harrison Cruikshank, M. D., appeared and took his seat in Convention. The Rev. James Carmichael, D. D., was also present, but not entitled to a seat.

Mr. S. S. McMaster, from the Committee on Elections, reported the following Lay Delegates entitled to seats :

Messrs. George M. Russum, R. C. Mackall, M. D., Henry S. Coudon, Charles R. Wooters, John C. Crookshank, Robert C. Hopkins, William W. Mace, Daniel M. Henry, Edwin Dashiell, W. S. Walker, L. M. Bean, George W. Parvis, M. D., Edward C. Legg, William H. Warren, Richard B. Carmichael, J. W. Ireland, William H. Gale, M. D., George W. Waller, E. M. Hardcastle, M. D., John S. Purnell, Charles A. Curtis, George E. Haddaway,

I. L. Adkins, M. D., George R. Goldsborough, George W. Bishop, M. D., S. S. McMaster, Charles F. Holland, Henry E. Bateman, Thomas I. Helsby, William S. Craft, James P. Dawson.

There were present of Lay Delegates, in addition to those present yesterday, Messrs. Ireland, Robert Hopkins and Daniel M. Henry.

The President appointed the following Committees :

On Accounts.—Messrs. Bateman, Holland and Coudon.

On Parochial Assessments.—The Rev. E. K. Miller, and Messrs. G. R. Goldsborough, Walker, Craft and Dashiell.

On the State of the Church.—The Rev. Dr. Stearns, the Rev. Messrs. Brooks and Davenport, and Messrs. Adkins and Gale.

On Admission of New Parishes.—The Rev. Mr. Wilson, and Messrs. Haddaway and Mackall.

On Episcopal Fund.—The Rev. Mr. Mitchell, and Messrs. Hardcastle and McMaster.

On Canons.—The Rev. Dr. Barber, the Rev. Mr. Dashiell, and Mr. Henry.

The Bishop then read his Address :

ADDRESS OF THE BISHOP.

BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY :

In the good providence of God, we assemble to-day under auspicious circumstances. The country is eminently prosperous. The diocese has received valuable accessions into the ranks of its Clergy, so that it is now better furnished for its work than at any time before. The Parish Priests, with few exceptions, are encouraged in their labors, and reach out after better things. The Church is gaining yearly by steady increments, and makes new demands upon our zeal and activity.

I trust that in this our annual assembly the bonds of fraternal love may be strengthened, and prudent measures devised for doing the sacred work entrusted to us by our Lord. I am not wont to occupy your time by an itemized account of the year's occupations, preferring to lay before you general statements, and to emphasize those details only which are noteworthy.

The past year seems to have been the busiest of my life ; and yet when I look over the record, while I have not, I trust, occupied myself with trifles, each day has brought its services, its correspondence, its consultations about matters seemingly not very great, which were all necessary to be cared for.

I have found it not altogether easy to acquiesce in the unanimous advice of friends and physicians that during the heated term I must avoid work and care, but I have been recompensed for the disability of the last summer by being able to do continuous work in the diocese and in the general Church since September.

I feel that I must needs ask the indulgence of my brethren very often, and hope that they will not always judge the purpose by the performance. It is a grief to me that I have accomplished so little, especially in the way of promoting the comfort and well-being of the Clergy and their families. I realize that this is especially the care and duty of the diocesan, and the responsibility is

seldom absent from my thoughts. I believe that to the lack of thoughtfulness and method more than to the lack of liberality, is due the meagreness of clerical stipend which we all deplore.

The General Convention.

Attendance upon the General Convention in October last, together with the preparation for it and the duties imposed by it, have largely occupied my time and thoughts.

We may well congratulate ourselves upon the results of that meeting. Never has the Church seemed so to concentrate her thought and her effort upon practical duty. It seemed to be assumed on all sides that the discussions so familiar to us in past years, concerning prerogative, doctrine and ritual, might with advantage be laid aside for a time, in order to devise the very best methods for coming up to the measure of our responsibilities. This implies a revision of the laws which govern our public ministrations, and also the introduction of prudent and energetic practical measures to meet the demands of the age and the country in which we live.

Touching the former of these necessities, the Church has shown herself to be profoundly impressed with the importance of rightly dividing and teaching the written word of God, and also of so ordering her liturgical worship as to promote to the utmost the edification of the faithful and to win the attention and the adherence of the careless and the unbelieving.

The revised tables of lessons, now authorized for use, with a view, if they shall endure the test of experiment, to final adoption, are worthy of your most thoughtful examination. While I have served for some years as the Chairman of the Joint Committee which prepared these tables, and have given to the subject my best attention, I am free to say that we are chiefly indebted for the result to several members of the Committee who brought to this task a zeal, an assiduity and an æsthetic taste, restrained always by profoundest reverence for the book they analyzed, which have exceeded any committee-work known to me. No one can examine the calendar for Saints' Days, for instance, without being impressed with the pertinency of the chapters now appointed. The Committee preferred that these results should not be hastily confirmed, nor do they desire to supersede with them the

tables heretofore in use, unless after fair trial they commend themselves to the judgment of the Church.

It was a natural following out of this action to appoint a large Committee, on which also I have the honor to serve, to revise the Prayer Book, with a view especially to greater flexibility of use and also to the enrichment of our familiar services.

I have attended a meeting of this Committee, at which we agreed with singular unanimity as to the principles which should guide us, and divided the various subjects among three sub-Committees.

The terms of the resolution under which this Committee is appointed, do not authorize them to touch the doctrinal statements of the Prayer Book. No one seems to desire to do so, or so to disturb our grand old Prayer Book as to change its fashion and likeness.

We are glad of an opportunity to correct mistakes and remove blemishes which no one denies or excuses. We think that besides the Orders for Morning and Evening Prayer suitable in settled parishes, some more suitable offices should be provided for our ministrations among those who have had no religious culture. We believe that without any alarming innovation, the services for the greater Festivals and Fasts can be made much more consonant with the spirit of the day. Other improvements are proposed of which I cannot speak particularly.

I believe that while this Committee will be ready to listen to any suggestions properly addressed to it, it will keep its own counsel. It will sound no trumpet note in advance, challenging admiration for results unpublished. Be assured that when the task is accomplished, those engaged in it will be well content to submit their propositions to the sober and unbiassed judgment of their brethren.

I can but think that we have not been fairly dealt with by those who have been engaged in a similar duty, that of revising our English Bible. As yet I have not so much as seen a copy of the revised New Testament. When I do examine it, I hope to do so deliberately and carefully.

I have never doubted that it would prove to be an honest and scholarly work, a most valuable contribution and a great incentive to the study of the Holy Scriptures.

But I am pained to see how much the minds of plain people

have been unsettled and disturbed by the premature glorification of a volume which had not seen the light, and depreciation of a book very dear to us all. Let us do justice to the Revisers. Give to their work, by all means, the utmost honor it deserves. But let us assure our people that if our old book is to give way to another, the change will not be made hastily or without heedful comparison and the very general consent of English-speaking Christians.

For among the comparatively few ties which bind such together, is the use of the same English Bible. We should be slow to surrender it unless for most convincing reasons.

Another part of the work of the General Convention was directed to promoting our practical efficiency as a Missionary Church. Three valuable members were added to our Missionary Episcopate, so that those distant territories of which we know little more than the name, Arizona, Montana and Washington, are placed under efficient regimen.

I would especially invite your attention to the action of the late General Convention, in devising a scheme for sustaining this great National Church of ours in the vast work which lies before her. She has made a solemn appeal to our loyalty as citizens of a heavenly kingdom. She calls on Bishops, Priests, Deacons and Laymen, without exception, to concur in a system by which every man, woman and child shall once in three months make a stated contribution to the treasury of the general Church. Documents explaining the practical method have been circulated in all the parishes of the land. She says to each of her children, "How much owest thou unto my Lord?" She holds that none is exempt from this duty. For the poorest and humblest member, if he cannot contribute substantial aid, can at least four times in each year give something, which shall be a token of his allegiance to the Church of God and of his readiness to obey her solemn behest. I will not dwell on the admirable results of this system, if carried out, in supplying the treasury of the Church and in securing stability and permanence in her missionary operations. I would lay emphasis on its retroactive benefit upon ourselves. Our knees are feeble for errands next our door, and our arms hang down in seeming impotence to accomplish the work that is just at hand. But if in faith and charity we go forth of our homes, bearing precious seed, and reach out beyond our natural limits to

recover the lost sheep everywhere, in the invigoration which will come to our own hearts and souls we shall find ourselves more adequate than ever before for those responsibilities which seem to be peculiarly our own.

Some of our Clergy have inaugurated this system with an excellent result. I pray that God may put it into the hearts of us all to do for this once what is enjoined upon us by authority.

The Bishops being deeply impressed with the intense poverty which falls to the lot of Clergymen disabled by age or infirmity and of the widows and orphans of Clergymen, resorted to an unusual measure and deputed several of their number to urge *viva voce* upon the House of Deputies the necessity of an adequate provision for this object.

Nothing has come of it thus far, except a recommendation headed by very few, that each incumbent should set aside for the General Clergy Relief Fund, a per centage of the Communion Alms. I know how small are the funds in the minister's discretion, and how numerous are the demands upon them. I do not therefore venture to do more than simply remind you of the recommendation. For myself, acting on the principle of doing, if possible, what the superior authority advises, I shall send a portion, even if it be no more than half a tithe.

Next Sunday is the time appointed for an annual collection in behalf of our Diocesan Clergy Relief Society.

Some of our older Clergy are members of a Relief Society common to the dioceses of the State of Maryland. I have lately become a member, and beg leave in this connection to quote a circular in which its advantages are very succinctly set forth :

“ I have sent you a copy of the Charter, Laws and Regulations of the Corporation for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of the Clergy of Maryland, and have been directed to call your attention to a few features of that Institution.

“ 1. The wealth of the Corporation ; its capital amounting to about \$180,000.

“ 2. The safe and permanent character of its investments ; over \$150,000 being invested in irredeemable ground rents in the city of Baltimore.

“ 3. The small amount necessary to be paid in order to secure the full benefit of the Corporation.

“ A Clergyman can join either one of four classes, which pay, respectively, five, ten, fifteen or twenty dollars a year, and at present he is not obliged to pay anything, after having made the fifteenth payment.

“ 4. The large return for his investment ; if he die before having completed five annual payments, his family will be entitled to an annuity of four times his annual contribution ; if he has made fifteen payments, his family shall then receive an annuity of seven times his annual contribution.

“ 5. The long continuance of the annuities. They go to the widows during their life, unless they marry again ; in which case, if they have children, the annuities fall to the children entirely. Children, if males, enjoy annuities until they be twenty-one years old ; if females, until their death, unless they previously marry.

“ We think no other form of life insurance offers such inducements, and we regret that so few of the Clergy are members of the Corporation.

“ ARTHUR J. RICH,
“ *Vice-President and Agent.*”

The late Bishop of North Carolina.

During the last winter I was unexpectedly summoned to the funeral of my very dear friend and father, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Atkinson, Bishop of North Carolina, which took place in Wilmington, his home, on the 7th of January.

It was a notable funeral. There were no carriages. The body was borne by friends, upon a bier, through the streets, followed by an immense procession of those who venerated him, and laid beneath the altar.

Subsequently, on the 18th of May, I preached a sermon memorial of him, before the Convention of his diocese, and repeated the same on the following Sunday in Grace Church, Baltimore, of which he was the founder and the first Rector.

I may not endeavor here to say concerning him what has thus become published in another form.

He was one of our great Bishops, great in intellect and great in heart. My own relations with him were very intimate, and in losing him I seem to have lost the adviser to whom I turned instinctively in all grave questions.

Clerical Changes.

The Rev. D. N. Allen, late Rector of All Hallows' Parish, has entered into rest. He came to us several years ago, so far gone in consumption that he was unequal to active work. Could he have had his health he would have been a valuable acquisition to the diocese. He possessed an excellent and well-cultivated mind. In character he was at once strong and gentle, lowly-minded, devout, ingenuous. I trust that the example of his patience has not been lost upon those who knew him.

The Rev. C. E. Milnor has been transferred to the Diocese of Delaware.

The Rev. George W. Easter to the Diocese of Virginia.

The Rev. J. V. Stryker, my valued Assistant in the Cathedral, to Western New York.

The Rev. J. Harry Chesley to Maryland.

I have received into the diocese the following, viz.:

The Rev. Albert Ware, Rector of Wye Parish, from Virginia.

The Rev. H. T. Lee, Rector of Worcester Parish, from Virginia.

The Rev. S. D. Hall (one of our original Clergy, whom we are glad to welcome back), Rector of St. Mary's Whitechapel, from Delaware.

The Rev. T. B. Crozier, called to St. John's, Miles River, from Albany.

The Rev. A. Batte, Rector of All Hallows', from Missouri.

The Rev. J. Worrall Larmour, Assistant Minister of Trinity Cathedral, from North Carolina.

The Rev. James Carmichael, D. D., Rector of St. James', Port Deposit, from Tennessee.

At our first annual Convention we had twenty-five Clergy. We now number thirty-six.

In this connection I would mention that on the 29th of November, in Centreville, I attended the funeral of the Rev. James A. McKenny, D. D., one of the original Clergy of this diocese and for some years President of your Standing Committee, although at the time of his death canonically resident in Maryland.

The sterling qualities of this old servant of God are well known to you all. He was a chronic invalid during the whole period of my acquaintance with him, so that I did not know him, as he was

known to some of you, in his efficiency. His charity was exhibited by the valuable bequests in his will chiefly to the Diocese of Maryland. Our own Home for Friendless Children is a residuary legatee under the will. By an arrangement made before Dr. McKenny's death, the sum of five hundred dollars has become available for building a chapel in Great Choptank Parish.

New Parishes and Churches.

The large parish of St. Michael's testifies to the zealous work of its Rector. He has consented to its division, reserving to himself the most arduous and least wealthy portion of it. Thus St. John's, Miles River, and All Saints', come before us with applications to be erected into independent parishes, self-sustaining, with Rectors of their own.

The consecration of the new church at St. Michael's has been deferred by reason of law-suits under the builder's lien. The Vestry are thus unable to close their accounts until the requisite instructions are given by the courts.

I trust I shall not offend the modesty of my brother the Rector of this parish, in congratulating him on what he has been able to accomplish at some self-sacrifice, for the building up of this diocese.

To him we are largely indebted for securing the endowment of the Episcopate. Within a few years he has builded two churches and a chapel at a cost of \$20,000, and his parish now divides itself into three. Those who thus love the diocese and unselfishly labor for the common good, deserve at our hands no small reverence and love.

On the 22nd of January last, I had the pleasure of officiating at a new chapel, St. John's in the Wilderness, erected under the influence of the Rev. Mr. Miller on the fishing-shore in his parish.

My visits to North Elk Parish are always interesting. The Rector keeps me very busy, for he carries me to the homes of some of the humblest and most sorrowful of our people, the day-laborer, the charcoal-burner, people dying with consumption or gangrene. I would gladly do more such work if my brethren of the clergy would prepare it for me.

On the 1st of March, I re-opened and re-dedicated with suitable services St. Luke's Church, Church Hill, one of the most venerable of our church buildings.

Most valuable pecuniary aid was given by a churchman of the sister Diocese of Maryland, one whose ancestors had worshipped in this church and are buried beneath its shadow. But the parishioners themselves came fairly up to the measure of their duty and contributed most liberally to this holy work.

On the 4th of May, I consecrated a new church, builded on the foundations of All Saints', Monie.

The Rev. Drs. Hodges of Baltimore and Cooper of Astoria, who had done much to promote this work, showed their interest by attending the consecration, the latter preaching the sermon. Thirteen Clergymen were in attendance, and the day is a bright one in the annals of the parish.

Confirmations.

St. Mary's Whitechapel,	2
North Elk,	8
North Sassafras,	2

Trinity, Cecil County,	6
Dorchester,	6
Great Choptank,	11
Vienna,	2
Chester,	4
I. U.,	3
North Kent,	3
St. Paul's, Kent County,	3
St. Luke's, Queen Anne's County,	9
St. Paul's, Queen Anne's County,	20
Wye,	6
Coventry,	1
Somerset,	7
Pocomoke,	4
St. Michael's,	7
St. Peter's,	8
Whitemarsh,	3
Trinity Cathedral,	9
All Saints',	0
Miles River,	3
Salisbury,	12
Spring Hill,	8

Being in all one hundred and fifty-eight.

Diocesan Officers.

I have confirmed the nominations made to me by the several Convocations, viz.:

Rev. Lewis Walke, Dean of the Northern Convocation;

Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., Dean of the Middle Convocation;
and

Rev. F. W. Hilliard, Dean of the Southern Convocation.

We regret to lose the services of the Rev. Dr. Barton, who retires by reason of his physical inability to meet the demands upon him.

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We have two candidates for Holy Orders, both of whom are pursuing their theological studies at the Seabury Divinity School.

Several others, who have the ministry in view, are at various colleges.

Marriage and Divorce.

I am pained to say that during the past year, for the first time in our experience, cases have arisen in which communicants of this diocese have forsaken the Communion of the Church, rather than submit to its discipline in the matter of marriage and divorce.

The Church has no arbitrary or technical rules in this matter. She affirms the command of her Lord that marriage is indissoluble except for the cause of infidelity, and that one divorced on any other ground, cannot be lawfully joined to another person.

She requires that if in any proposed marriage of a divorced person there be a reasonable doubt as to the facts or the law of the case, the Bishop shall determine the matter and the marriage shall not be performed without his license.

In these instances the license was refused, and the marriage could not be performed by any of our Clergy. It seems, however, that a Clergyman of some sort is never lacking to sanction pretended marriages expressly forbidden by our Lord.

We of the Clergy should be very careful so to teach our people that they shall not be tempted to commit this great sin; and I trust that the diocese will heartily unite with me in vindicating the sanctity of the marriage tie.

The Church Temperance Society.

I have been interested in the establishment of the Church Temperance Society, and have accepted the invitation extended to the Bishops to become Vice-Presidents thereof.

Many of us, while deeply conscious of the evils of intemperance and anxious to resist that evil, have found ourselves unable to co-operate in the popular Temperance movement.

We do not believe that it is right to denounce all use of that fruit of the vine which God has blessed and which our Lord has hallowed by designating it for a holy Sacrament.

but we think that Conventions, Synods and Conferences invade
~~the sphere wherein they have no authority, when they would pre-~~
~~tend to the civil legislature the laws it should enact.~~

We are opposed on principle to the enactment by the Church
~~of any~~ laws unreasonably abridging Christian liberty.

~~For the Society~~ offers an opportunity of co-operating in pro-
~~ducing temperate habits~~ without compromise of principle.

The Church is itself a Temperance Society: yes, and it is a ~~Reformation~~ Society in the highest sense. We do not, however, ~~mean~~ ~~to~~ ~~be~~ ~~worth~~ in these regards, when we organize societies ~~a~~ ~~which~~ ~~is~~ ~~a~~ ~~subordination~~ to it, for more effectually reaching ~~the~~ ~~end~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~matter~~

~~the~~ I had occasion to make an address before the
~~Diocese of~~ North Carolina. That diocese has a more arduous
~~the~~ With twice as many Clergy, it has ten times the
~~population and~~ ten times the population of the Diocese of Easton.

~~and~~ ~~as~~ ~~to~~ speak on that occasion of the requisites for doing ~~the~~ ~~work~~ of the Church in a rural diocese and with limited ~~resources~~ ~~With~~ ~~some~~ such reflections I would conclude this ~~paper~~

~~What are~~ ~~the~~ ~~the~~ ~~the~~ of the requisites, if we are to make this ~~the~~ ~~the~~ ~~the~~ healthy and effective?

What is to be learned is that of self-reliance. We must not rely on the possible help of people better off than ourselves, nor on some possible windfall which may relieve our difficulties. It is only after we have made the best of our own resources that we have any right to expect sympathy and help. It is a mistake to suppose that Providence imposes responsibilities greater than we are able to discharge.

After we have honestly done the best we can, it almost always exceeds our expectations, and sometimes

Hezekiah prospered in his work for
II. Chron., 31: 21); first, because " he did

and best of all, "he did it with *all* his

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The second lesson to be learned is truth in all our methods and policies. We have need to rely upon God's blessing on conscientious personal contribution and service. We must cease to flatter the rich or to court popularity. Blood money, and the price of the dog, things wicked and contemptible, we must forbear to bring into the house of the Lord. We must have the strength of mind to build up and to sustain the Church, by honest work, and downright giving, without these poor expedients of fairs and such like, which so humiliate the Church in the presence of the world.

Thirdly, we must be more heedful of method and system. So vast a work cannot be accomplished by sporadic efforts, or sustained by the appeal to mere enthusiasm. I do not believe in the common formula, that the Vestry are responsible for the temporalities, and the Rector for the spiritualities. As Rector, the Clergyman must do the thinking and the planning for his people. It is for him to organize, systematize, formulate, all details of Church work. He must show people not only what is to be done, but also how to do it. If he will take thus much trouble, he has then the right to ask that the Vestry carry it out in action.

Fourthly, we need also to realize the value of united action for common ends. This Church of ours is sadly militia-like in its working. When the order is given "eyes right," every man in the ranks is apt, instead of looking to the right, to begin to argue that "eyes left" would have been a more suitable word of command. Good men working on lines of different policies accomplish little for the common end; whereas even an indifferent policy unanimously concurred in, will be apt to effect the end in view.

Fifthly, we need to learn the lesson of loyalty to the Church, to realize that we are citizens of no mean city. Our highest allegiance is due not to the parish, nor to the diocese in which we reside, but to the great National Church in this land, which holds our Lord's high commission to minister the Word of Life to all the people in the land. Ours is a Church, which in an age of shifting opinion, bids men stand in the old paths; which, while a thousand novelties are obtruded upon us, insists that the old is better. It is a Church which had no part in fomenting sectional or political discords; and which in time of war and in the first moments when peace returned, uttered invariably words of peace and love. It is a Church which persistently refuses to take part in the controversies of this fleeting time; and speaks to men of God, of Christ, and of eternity.

Sixthly, a Catholic Church should seek to be Catholic in fact as well as in theory. Surely he is an unworthy son, who is content to work a few rich spots of his ancestral inheritance, and leave the rest of the farm to briers and broom-sedge. And surely that is a narrow churchmanship, which impels a few rich people to erect churches at a few centres in a county, to provide the necessary means for the support of a Clergyman, to require as a matter of right that his spiritual care shall be confined to the few who pay his salary, and to uplift the cry of the aggrieved parishioner, when for the love of Christ and of immortal souls he will go out into the highways and hedges and recover the humble and the erring.

And lastly, we must make our ministry more individual and personal.

I do not judge a minister's efficiency by the size of his confirmation class. I earnestly deprecate the poor ambition which would in anywise lower the just spiritual standard for the sake of numerical increase.

But I cannot think that we have the past year won to the confession of the Master the souls we might have won, if besides the faithful sermons of the pulpit, we had preached the word of loving invitation to one and another, by the way and at the fireside.

One of the Clergy has told me that he sought out thus a laboring man and found him at work in his far-field. When he made known his errand, in somewhat apologetic tone, the man replied: "Sir, I am obliged to any man who comes to speak to me about my poor soul."

Ah! Brethren of the Clergy, some of your parishioners are waiting for you to speak first! And oh Brethren of the Laity! there are people all around us, shy and diffident of the Clergy, whose throats are dry and aching for the spiritual sympathy and encouragement which you might give.

The President laid upon the table of the Secretary a copy of the charter, &c., of the Corporation for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of the Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Maryland.

Also, a communication from the Secretary of the General Convention to the Convention of the Diocese of Easton, touching a proposed amendment to the ratification of the Book of Common Prayer, which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Canons.

Also, a communication from the Rev. C. J. Whipple, in regard to a map of the diocese, which was, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Wilson, referred to the Committee on New Parishes.

The Rev. Mr. W. Y. Beaven presented a petition from All Saints' Church, asking to be received into union with the Convention, with metes and bounds as therein described. Also, a petition from the congregation of St. John's, Miles River, for leave to organize the parish of Miles River, with accompanying metes and bounds; which, on motion, were referred to the Committee on New Parishes.

The Rev. Mr. Hall presented a petition from St. Mary's White-chapel Parish, for a change of boundaries, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on New Parishes.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Schouler, that part of the Bishop's Address relating to the Church Temperance Society was referred to a Committee of three Clergymen and three Laymen.

The President appointed as such Committee, the Rev. Messrs. Mitchell, Davenport and Schouler, and Messrs. Geo. Haddaway, Parvis and Hopkins.

Dr. Adkins presented the Report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Episcopal Fund. (See Appendix.)

The Treasurer of the Diocese presented his Report, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Accounts. (See Appendix.)

The Rev. Mr. Walker offered the following Resolution:

- *Resolved*, That the Committee on the Episcopal Fund be requested to consider the expediency of publishing annually in the Journal, the deficiency on the parochial assessments in behalf of said Fund.

Which was referred to the Committee on the Episcopal Fund.

Mr. W. S. Walker presented the following Resolution, which was also referred to the Committee on the Episcopal Fund:

Resolved, That the Committee on Parochial Assessments provide in their assessment on parishes for the deficiency in the Episcopal income as well as the usual Convention expenses.

The Rev. Dr. Barber, from the Board of Diocesan Missions, presented the Report of the Board, together with the Report of the Treasurer of the same. This Report was made, on his motion, the order of the day, at 11 o'clock, Thursday.

The Rev. Mr. Mitchell, from the Committee appointed at the last Convention to confer with the trustees of Julianna Blunt in regard to the annuity to the Episcopal Fund in arrears, presented their Report:

The Committee appointed at the last Convention to confer with the Vestry of Christ Church, Kent Island, trustees of Julianna Blunt, in regard to the annuity to the Episcopal Fund in arrears, respectfully report:

That in a communication from the Treasurer of the Vestry of Christ Church, Kent Island, the opinion is expressed that until all preferred debts, such as the expenses of keeping up repairs, and arrears of Rector's salary, are paid up, under the deed of trust the trustees are not indebted to the Episcopal Fund. When such preferred debts are paid, they propose renewing the annuity, and hope to pay fifty dollars in 1882 to said Fund.

The Committee, having carefully examined the deed of Julianna Blunt, respectfully differ from such view, and are unanimously of the opinion that the annuity of fifty dollars to the Episcopal Fund takes the precedence of all other grants under the deed of trust.

Your Committee suggest that it be left to the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund to confer with the Vestry of Christ Church, Kent Island, in regard to the adjustment of this claim.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. MITCHELL,
RICH'D B. CARMICHAEL,
WM. McKENNEY.

Whereupon the whole subject-matter was ordered to be referred to the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, with powers.

The Rev. Mr. Wilson presented the Report of the Treasurer of the Clergy Relief Fund, which was referred to the Committee on Accounts.

The Registrar of the Diocese presented the following Report:

The Registrar of the Diocese respectfully reports :

That he has received from the Treasurer the amount appropriated at the last Convention, but awaits the publication of the Journal of the present session before expending it.

It is further proposed to bind in durable volumes the Anniversary, or Memorial Sermons, as from time to time delivered, which contain historical sketches of our older parishes, thus preserving and transmitting to posterity important facts and dates which might otherwise be lost or obscured.

To this end, the Registrar earnestly requests that whenever copies of such sermons are found in any parish, they may be transmitted to him.

Respectfully submitted,

THEO. P. BARBER,
Registrar of the Diocese.

The Convention then adjourned.

SECOND DAY.

At 9 A. M. the Convention met. After Divine Service, conducted by Rev. Messrs. Batte and Greene, the President called the Convention to order.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

There were present of the Clergy, in addition to those present yesterday, the Revs. John O. Barton, D. D., and Francis W. Hiliard. Of the Laity, Mr. G. W. Bishop.

The President laid upon the Secretary's table the Report of the Board of Trustees of the Trust Fund, which was referred to the Committee on Accounts. (See Appendix.)

The President also laid upon the Secretary's table the Eleventh Annual Report of the Home for Friendless Children, together with the Report of the Treasurer of the same. (See Appendix.)

The Rev. Mr. Wilson, from the Committee on New Parishes, presented a partial Report, with the following Resolutions, both of which were adopted :

Resolved, That the petition of All Saints' Parish, to be admitted into union with this Convention, be granted ; also, that the petition of J. G. Morris and others, to be permitted to organize a new parish with metes and bounds, to be known as Miles River Parish, be granted.

Resolved, That the boundary lines of the above-named parishes be re-committed to the Committee on New Parishes for further consideration.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Mitchell, the second section of Canon I. of the Canons of the Diocese, was referred to the Committee on Canons, to consider the expediency of expunging said section from the Canon.

On motion of Dr. Mackall, it was

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Convention be instructed to convey to the Rev. Dr. John Cotton Smith, our thanks for the sermon delivered by him at the opening service of the Convention, and to which we have listened with much interest and profit ; and that a copy of the same be requested for publication.

Mr. McMaster, from the Committee on Elections, reported Mr. W. H. Groscup entitled to a seat, whereupon Mr. Groscup appeared and answered to his name.

Mr. Davenport, from the Special Committee on the Church Temperance Society, presented their Report.

On motion of the Chairman, the Report was referred back to the Committee.

The order of the day being called for, the Report of the Board of Diocesan Missions was then read :

The Board of Diocesan Missions, in making their annual statement of the responsible trust confided to their administration, will first refer to the Southern Convocation, within whose bounds we have assembled.

Within these limits, we rejoice to announce that but one vacancy exists. Each parish and Mission post is fully and efficiently cared for with regular services, except Spring Hill. It is especial occasion of thankfulness that the ancient parish of Coventry—so closely associated in our memory with the loved name of Crosdale—has now an earnest Minister to officiate in the churches erected by our late brother's self-denying zeal. A neat, comfortable rectory at Fairmount is one gratifying result of the faithful Mission work sustained in this parish of three separate congregations.

The amount appropriated to Coventry Parish is \$200.

At their last meeting the Board gladly voted an equal amount to Spring

Hill and Stepney Parishes, in Wicomico County, "upon the condition of a sufficient subscription" by the brethren resident therein. But the Board deeply regret that, thus far, through non-compliance with the condition, the Bishop has been precluded from naming a Minister for these most important promising stations. Meanwhile, the active Rector of Salisbury has held stated services in these parishes, at much sacrifice of time and labor properly due to the large, influential congregation at Salisbury.

It should be also noted that \$100 were appropriated as an outfit to the Rector in assuming charge at Berlin, in Worcester County.

Passing on to the Middle Convocation, we first record that Dorchester Parish remains under the faithful care of our brother, Rev. Mr. Greene. The appropriation of \$250 is continued.

But we regret to add that, save for a temporary incumbency of three months, the East New Market and Vienna Parishes—most interesting and inviting cures—are still unfilled.

In Caroline County both the Missions are now fully provided for. With thankfulness we inform you that the Rev. Mr. Hall has been chosen to officiate at Denton, while an afternoon service each Sunday is sustained by Rev. Mr. Beaven at Greensborough.

The amount appropriated by the Board is \$200.

In Talbot County only \$50 have been expended during the year, and there will be no further application for Mission aid.

In Queen Anne's County the parish at Church Hill still receives \$200 per annum. The venerable and attractive church, thoroughly repaired and improved within the year, is pleasing testimony to the fruitfulness and reality of the labor expended. Doubtless in a few years this ancient parish will be a self-supporting one.

In the Northern Convocation the Board have gladly renewed their appropriation to St. James' Church, Port Deposit, in view of the election of a new Rector, who, after a long vacancy, succeeds the Rev. Mr. Easter.

The proffer of an appropriation to St. Augustine Parish and its vicinity has received, so far, no response.

In this connection the Board will quote Nos. III. and IV. of the explanatory resolutions adopted in 1879:

"III. That the office of this Board is to assist weak parishes as the means entrusted to it may allow."

They will gladly entertain any such applications, only it is indispensably necessary that the parties concerned should lay before the Board the state of the case; should arrange the plan of working, and *give reasonable assurance* that any appropriation made by the Board will be met by corresponding efforts on the part of the parishioners.

"IV. And inasmuch as all our experience shows that uncertainty and delay in paying the Minister's salary results invariably in dissatisfaction and discord, this Board will be under the painful necessity of dropping from its list of beneficiaries those parishes or churches which are habitually in arrears to the Clergymen."

Your Board thus set forth before the Convention, in plain, full detail, the actual condition, needs and prospects of the Missions, naming each parish and station, that this body may judge intelligently and determine wisely of methods and results.

The Report of the Treasurer is herewith presented :

The balance on hand at last Report.....	\$192 91
Receipts for Convention year from parishes pledged and unpledged	1,266 75
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	\$1,459 66
Expended under drafts of the Bishop.....	1,200 00
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Balance on hand June 1, 1881.....	\$259 66

In respect to this considerable balance, it should be noted that it results from the much-regretted vacancies (continued, in one instance, beyond the half year) in several of the Mission parishes. But for these unforeseen and much-deplored vacancies, this Report would have disclosed a *deficiency* of several hundred dollars in the contributions for the year. At present there is one station only unoccupied, and that one will be filled with the least possible delay.

Your Board, in conclusion, would invite their brethren to discuss deliberately and prayerfully the question whether an amount representing an annual payment of one dollar from each communicant ought not reasonably to be expected from each parish?

And further, in justification of the action now proposed, we cite the Resolution adopted by unanimous vote of the last Convention, viz. :

“Resolved, That hereafter it shall be the duty of the representatives of each parish, before attending Convention, to ascertain from their respective Vestries the amount for which each parish shall be pledged for Diocesan Missions.”

We propose, then, for adoption, the following :

Resolved, That the roll of parishes be now called in open session, that each may give assurance of such contribution during the ensuing year as its circumstances may warrant.

THEO. P. BARBER,
For the Board of Diocesan Missions.

The Resolution annexed was adopted, and the Secretary, in accordance therewith, having called the roll of parishes, the following pledges were made :

CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish..... \$20 00

CECIL COUNTY.

North Elk Parish.....	\$50 00
North Sassafras Parish.....	50 00
Trinity Parish....	60 00
St. James' Church.....	50 00

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

Dorchester Parish.....	20 00
Great Choptank Parish.....	140 00
Vienna Parish.....	5 00

KENT COUNTY.

Chester Parish.....	50 00
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QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

St. Luke's Parish.....	60 00
St. Paul's Parish.....	125 00

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Coventry Parish.....	10 00
Somerset Parish.....	60 00
Grace Church, Wicomico Parish.....	5 00

TALBOT COUNTY.

St. Michael's Parish.....	50 00
Church of Holy Trinity, Oxford.....	50 00
Whitemarsh Parish.....	60 00
All Saints' Parish.....	60 00

WICOMICO COUNTY.

Salisbury Parish.....	50 00
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SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

Pocomoke Parish.....	25 00
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	\$1,000 00

The hour having arrived—12 M.—for election of the Standing Committees and other officers, the Convention went into the election of a Standing Committee.

The President appointed as tellers, the Rev. Mr. Hall and Mr. Wm. S. Craft.

On motion, leave of absence was granted to Messrs. Walker and Ireland.

On motion of Mr. Hopkins, it was

Resolved, That the Convention hold its next meeting in St. James' Church, Port Deposit.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That when the Convention adjourn, it adjourn to meet at 4 o'clock.

The Rev. Dr. Barber, from the Committee on Canons, presented their Report on the communication from the Secretary of the General Convention. The Resolutions appended were adopted :

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the communication from the General Convention of the Church respecting the proposed "Amendment to the Ratification of the Book of Common Prayer," respectfully report :

That this Amendment, as adopted in the General Convention of 1880, provides for shortened services on other days than Sundays and higher Festivals and Fasts.

In the judgment of your Committee, this is a much-needed and most desirable measure, and commends itself to the warm approval of this body.

There is no occasion to urge the value or promise of the proposed action, for doubtless the minds of all are familiar with this provision for increased liberty and discretion in the use of the Liturgy, while there is full protection, by strict safeguards, against the abuse of the privilege.

Your Committee recommend the concurrence of this body in the following words :

Resolved, That the Convention of the Diocese of Easton hereby express their full approval of and concurrence in the proposed Amendment to the Ratification of the Book of Common Prayer, as adopted by the General Convention of 1880.

And further resolved, That our Deputies to the next General Convention are hereby requested to present this Resolution to that body.

THEO. P. BARBER,
E. F. DASHIELL,
D. M. HENRY.

The tellers having returned, announced the following Clergymen elected as members of the Standing Committee :

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, the Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., the Rev. Robert Wilson, M. D., the Rev. James A. Mitchell.

On motion, the Secretary was authorized to cast the ballot of the Convention for Thos. Hughlett as Treasurer of the Convention.

On motion, the Convention adjourned.

The Convention met, pursuant to adjournment, at 4 P. M.

The election of officers being in order, on motion, the Secretary was authorized to cast the ballot of the Convention for the following officers :

Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.—I. L. Adkins, M. D., R. B. Carmichael, H. H. Dashiell, Geo. R. Goldsborough, E. L. F. Hardcastle, Chas. Lowndes and Wm. S. Walker.

Board of Diocesan Missions.—The Bishop and Deans *ex-officio*; Messrs. I. L. Adkins, M. D., and Jos. E. M. Chamberlaine, M. D.

Registrar.—The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D.

The Bishop nominated the following persons as Trustees of Trinity Cathedral, who were confirmed by the Convention :

H. E. Bateman, Jas. P. Dawson, John W. Cheezum, Thos. K. Robson, D. R. D. Cheezum and J. F. Bateman.

The Officers and Managers of the Home for Friendless Children (see Report in Appendix) being nominated, were unanimously elected.

The Rev. Mr. Mitchell, from the Committee on the Episcopal Fund, presented the following Report, the Resolutions being adopted :

The Committee on the Episcopal Fund, to whom was referred the Report of the Trustees of said Fund, beg leave to report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, and find them correct. They have also collected from twelve parishes and one Mission the sum of \$274.10, which they have paid to the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund.

Your Committee would call attention to the fact that a deficiency of \$228.90 on the assessment for the present year still exists, which it was expected would have been paid at this Convention. This they urge shall be sent to the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund before the 1st of July.

As several parishes are yet in arrears for the two previous years, and considering the importance of the prompt payment of this assessment, they would offer the following Resolutions :

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to publish annually in the Journal the amount due for each year, together with arrearage.

Resolved, That the extra assessment of \$500 be continued.

JAMES A. MITCHELL,
ED. M. HARDCASTLE,
S. S. McMASTER.

The Rev. Mr. Wilson, from the Committee on New Parishes, presented their Report. The Resolutions being taken up in order, were severally adopted, and the petitions therein granted :

The Committee on New Parishes respectfully report :

1. That All Saints' be admitted on old bounds, and that leave be granted to J. G. Morris and others to organize Miles River Parish.

2. The Committee on New Parishes and on Parochial Boundaries beg leave to submit the following Report upon the papers recommitted to them for consideration :

In the matter of parochial boundaries, they respectfully recommend the granting to All Saints', Miles River and St. Mary's Whitechapel Parishes the metes and bounds asked by them in their respective petitions, and the readjustment of the boundaries of contiguous parishes so as to agree with said action. Your Committee beg, therefore, to offer the following Resolutions :

Resolved, That it be, and it hereby is, enacted, that the metes and bounds of All Saints' Parish be fixed as defined in the memorial of said parish, to wit :

To the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton :

Leave having been granted, on a petition to the Convention of 1872, for the organization of a new parish by the name and style of "All Saints' Parish, Talbot County," and the organization of the same having been duly made with metes and bounds as herein described, the undersigned, the Rector and Vestry of said parish, respectfully ask that the said parish may be admitted into union with the Convention of this diocese, and that it may be hereafter represented by its Rector and duly appointed Lay Delegate therein.

W. Y. BEAVEN, *Rector*,
J. McD. GOLDSBOROUGH,
J. THOS. KIRBY,
H. AUSTIN,
GEO. R. GOLDSBOROUGH,
HEDGE THOMPSON,
CHARLES H. ROSE,
A. W. NEAL.

Bounds of All Saints' Parish, Talbot County.

Beginning at the mouth of Glebe Creek where it empties into Miles River, thence by the eastern shore line of said river north to a point opposite the residence of Mr. Geo. R. Goldsborough called Church Cove, thence by a straight line to the mouth of Pickering's Creek on Wye River, thence by said river northeast to Skipton Creek, thence by said creek to Skipton Landing, thence by the public road to Skipton, thence northeast and southeast by the public road leading to the east of Cordova in front of the residence of Capt. Levi T. Dukes to St. Paul's M. E. Church, thence by the first public road south to Franklinville on the road from Easton to Hillsboro', thence southwest about one mile by said road to the public road which leads to Reese's Landing on Tuckahoe Creek, thence by said road to said landing on said creek, thence by said creek southeast to the Choptank River, thence by the northern shore line of said river to King's Creek, thence by said creek north, west, and north to Wootenhawk's Bridge on the public road from Easton to Hillsboro', thence by a straight line south of west to the head of Glebe Creek, thence by the northern shore line of said creek west to the place of beginning. .

To the Convention of the P. E. Church in the Diocese of Easton :

The undersigned, members of said Church in St. Michael's Parish, Talbot County, having a house of worship, and having employed a Minister for themselves, and having obtained the consent of the Rector and Vestry of St. Michael's, respectfully ask leave for themselves and others to organize a new Parish by the name and style of " Miles River Parish, Talbot County," lying entirely within the parish aforesaid, and contained within the following metes and bounds, viz.: (See Report.)

The house of worship for such new parish will not be nearer than eight (8) miles to the parish church of the parish first herein mentioned ; for the metes and bounds of which, reference is hereby made to the Rector of the same.

And your petitioners will ever pray, etc., etc.

J. G. MORRIS,
OWEN NORRIS,
J. HAROLD WHEELER,
THOS. H. OLIVER,
ROBERT HOUGH,
CHARLES LOWNDES.

Petition from St. Mary's Whitechapel.

St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish, Caroline County, as represented by the Rector, respectfully petitions the Convention of the Diocese to grant an alteration in its boundaries, so as to include within its limits that portion of St. John's Parish, Caroline County, described as follows, to wit: Beginning with the branch where it crosses the Greensborough Road (stock-land or

brick mill) and following the said road to the Boonesborough School House, thence by the River Road to its intersection with the above-mentioned branch, thence by said stream easterly, etc., as in old line.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the parish,

S. D. HALL, *Rector.*

Resolved, That it be, and it hereby is, enacted, that the metes and bounds of Miles River Parish be fixed as defined in petition of said parish, to wit: Beginning at a point of land on the east side of Miles River lying west of Perry Hall residence, running east to said residence, then east, southeast out of the lane leading to said residence crossing the county road from Easton to St. Michael's, thence east, southeast in the road to Col. Bartlett's estate, "Woodland," continuing on to the Tread Avon River, thence with said river by its middle branch, known as Lee Haven Creek to its source, thence by a straight line to Goldsborough's Point at the mouth of Glebe Creek, thence by Miles River to Church Cove, thence by a straight line to the mouth of Pickering's Creek, thence with Trout Wye River to Eastern Bay, round the head-lands of Miles River Neck to Miles River, and up said river to the point of starting.

Resolved, That it be, and it hereby is, enacted, that the change of boundary asked for by St. Mary's Whitechapel be granted, so as to make the bounds of said parish as follows, to wit:

Beginning at the mouth of Tuckahoe Creek and running with said creek to Deane's Landing, thence with the county road northerly until it intersects the county road leading from Denton to Hillsborough, at a point between the property of the late Geo. Fisher and the lands of Capt. Robert K. Emerson, thence with said last-named road easterly to the road beginning opposite the residence of R. C. Carter, leading to Greensborough, thence with said Greensborough Road northeasterly to the stream of the Stock Landing or Brick-Mill Branch following said road to the Boonsborough School House, thence by the river road to its intersection with said branch, thence by said stream easterly to the head thereof, thence in a straight line easterly to the line dividing the States of Maryland and Delaware, thence with the division line between said States south to the line dividing Caroline and Dorchester Counties, and thence with said division line westerly to the Choptank River, thence with said river north to the place of beginning.

Resolved, That the practicability of preparing a suitable map of the diocese be referred to a Committee appointed by the Chair, with instructions to report to the next Convention.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

ROBERT WILSON,
R. C. MACKALL,
G. E. HADDAWAY.

The following changes have become necessary, in consequence of the adoption of the above Report, in the boundary lines of contiguous parishes as defined in Report of Committee, Appendix, Journal 1874, viz.:

St. Michael's Parish.

Beginning at Benoni's Point, at the mouth of Tread Avon River, thence with said river to the point where its banks are intersected by the line of Miles River Parish, thence with said parish line west, northwest to the banks of Miles River at a point just west of Perry Hall residence, thence with St. Michael's River to Tilghman's Point, and thence with the shore-line of Talbot County to the place of beginning.

St. Peter's Parish.

Old line from Choptank to head of cove on Trippe's Creek, thence with said creek and Tread Avon River by its middle head to head of Lee Haven Creek, thence by straight line due north to Goldsborough's Point at mouth of Glebe Creek, thence with said creek to its source, thence by a straight line to Wootenhawk's Bridge, thence with King's Creek to its mouth, and south with Choptank River to place of beginning.

St. John's, Caroline.

Beginning at the point where the southern boundary of St. Luke's Parish touches the dividing line between Queen Anne's and Caroline Counties at Bridgetown, thence with the county road from Bridgetown to Roesville, thence with road from Roesville to Colgan's X Roads, thence with road to Ruthsburgh, thence with road to Hall's X Roads, thence by straight line to Callaghan's Bridge on road from Wye Mills to Hillsborough, thence with said road to division line between Eliason's and Holt's farms, thence by straight line southerly to road from Skipton to Hillsborough, thence with northern boundary of All Saints' Parish to the mouth of Tuckahoe Creek, thence with old line of St. Mary's Whitechapel to intersection of Greensborough Road with Stock-Landing Branch, following said road to Boonesborough School House, thence by River Road to its intersection with said branch, thence easterly with said stream to its head, thence with new line of St. Mary's Whitechapel to boundary line between Maryland and Delaware, thence with said line to its junction with Queen Anne's and Caroline County lines, thence with division line of said counties to place of beginning.

Wye Parish.

Beginning where Reed Creek empties into Chester River with said creek to its head, thence with line of election districts to point of intersection with road from Easton to Centreville at Madam Elsey's Branch, thence in a direct line to Hall's X Roads, thence by a straight line to Callaghan's Bridge on road from Wye Mills to Hillsborough, thence with said road to division line between Eliason's and Holt's farms, thence by a straight line

to road from Cordova to Skipton, thence with said road westerly to Skipton, thence by the public road leading to Skipton Landing, thence with Skipton Creek to Wye River, thence with said river to Eastern Bay and by Kent Narrows to Chester River, and thence by said river to place of beginning.

The Rev. Dr. Stearns, from the Committee on the State of the Church, presented the following Report :

The Committee on the State of the Church beg leave to report :

We have had before us Reports from thirty-two parishes, being a larger number than ever before. The Reports themselves, we are gratified to state, are more full, and more carefully drawn up than usually heretofore. There is a considerable diminution, however, in the number of baptisms and confirmations ; on the other hand, there is an increase of ninety-two in the number of communicants, there being now 2,530. The number *reported* last year was 2,516 ; but from this is to be deducted *seventy* reported in excess of the actual number in St. Peter's Parish, Talbot County, as explained in this year's Report of the Rector of that Parish. Seven of the parishes are reported in arrears on the Rector's salary, three of them to the extent of nearly one-half. We beg to remind them, on the highest authority, that the laborer is worthy of his hire, and that no parish can expect to prosper spiritually which forgets its duty in temporals.

The contributions to Diocesan Missions are smaller, we believe, than in any previous year since the organization of the diocese ; considerably less than half a dollar to each communicant. The very least that the diocese should do in the coming year is to double that amount. If all the members of the Church were alive to their duty, they would quadruple it, and be all the richer for it, temporally as well as spiritually. "There is that scattereth and yet increaseth ; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, and it leadeth to poverty."

E. J. STEARNS,
J. H. B. BROOKS,
W. G. DAVENPORT,
I. L. ADKINS,
W. H. GALE.

The Secretary presented the Report of the Committee on Accounts

The undersigned, Committee on Accounts, have examined the Reports submitted to them.

We find that the Treasurer of Convention had in hand at last report a balance of \$378.00, and has received for the past year the sum of \$618.50, making a total of \$996.50. The amount disbursed by him as per vouchers was \$788.68, leaving in the hands of said Treasurer the sum of \$207.82.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Clergy Relief Fund shows that he has invested the sum of \$900 in the stock of the Masonic Hall Association of Easton, Md., out of the amount, to wit, \$958.95, in hand at last report, leaving a balance in his hands of \$58.95, and that he has received during the past year the sum of \$185.22, which includes one year's interest on said balance, \$3.54, and the sum of \$60 dividends on the M. H. Association stock, making a total in hand of \$244.17.

We find that the Treasurer of the Board of Managers of the Trust Funds of the Diocese, in his account with Stepney Parish, has in hand, including interest up to date, the sum of \$99.60.

Respectfully submitted,

H. E. BATEMAN,
CHAS. F. HOLLAND,
HY. S. COUDON.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock for Divine Service.

EVENING SESSION.

8 P. M.

Divine Service was conducted by the Rev. Messrs. W. Y. Beaven and Walke, the Rev. James Carmichael, D. D., preaching the Sermon.

The President called the Convention to order.

The President appointed as the Committee on a Map of the Diocese :

The Rev. Messrs. Wilson and Mitchell, and Mr. George Had-daway.

Mr. Geo R. Goldsborough presented the Report on Parochial Assessments. (See Appendix.)

The Rev. Dr. Barber, from the Committee on Canons, reported that in their opinion the repeal of the second clause of Canon I. is needed, and offered the following Resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the second clause of Canon I. be, and hereby is, repealed.

The Rev. Mr. Davenport, from the Committee on the Church Temperance Society, presented the following Report :

The Committee to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address which relates to the subject of the Church Temperance Society, would respectfully report :

Deeming it needless to dwell upon the fact that temperance has always been recognized as a cardinal principle in the teaching of the Church, yet in view of the alarming prevalence of the sin of intemperance at the present time, it becomes a very serious question whether organized effort in some such way as that contemplated by the above-named Society may not prove the most effective method of dealing with the evil.

Your Committee would recommend the adoption of the following *Preamble and Resolution* :

Whereas The Church Temperance Society occupies the position of a *germ* within the Church, in harmony with its principles ; therefore,

Resolved, That it be respectfully recommended to the Bishop to call a meeting at such time and place as may seem proper to him, with the view of furthering the object of such Society.

JAMES A. MITCHELL,
W. G. DAVENPORT,
WILLIAM SCHOULER,
G. E. HADDAWAY,
G. W. PARVIS,
R. C. HOPKINS.

The Resolution appended being under consideration, the Rev. Mr. Nelson offered the following substitute :

Resolved, That this Church, recognizing the duty of every one having the privilege to promote by example, and by public instruction and (if need be) by coercion, temperance in all things, declines to commit itself to any proposed new method of accomplishing that end, believing that the old is best.

On motion, at the suggestion of the Bishop, the consideration of the subject was postponed to the next Convention.

Mr. Mackall offered the following Resolutions, which were unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the members of this Convention, heartily appreciating the generous hospitality of the citizens of Salisbury, tender them their sincere thanks on the same.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be, and is hereby, instructed to pay to the sexton of this church ten dollars, and to John Taylor, the organ blower, five dollars.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be authorized and directed to pay the Secretary the usual sum of twenty-five dollars.

On motion, the Secretary was authorized to have seven hundred and fifty copies of the Journal printed.

The Minutes were thereupon read and approved, and after prayer and benediction by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

HENRY C. LAY,
President ex-officio.

JAMES A. MITCHELL,
Secretary.

WM. S. WALKER,
Assistant Secretary.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. John's Parish

Geo. H. Beaven and ——— Cornelius , Wardens.

James B. Bishop, Dr. G. W. Goldsborough, J. P. Manlove, J. Marion Wooters, Chas. R. Wooters, Dr. P. Reynolds, Dr. Thos. Hackett, Wm. Satterfield, Vestrymen.

Families 32 ; Souls 150 ; Baptisms 24 ; Confirmed 8 ; Marriages 4 ; Burials 12 ; Communicants, added 3 ; died 1 ; removed 2 ; present number 51 ; actually communicating 48 ; Sunday School Teachers 4 ; Scholars 30.

Receipts and Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Diocesan Missions \$4.79.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount paid \$160.53 ; Current Expenses \$37.00.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$1,500 ; Church of the Holy Trinity, Sittings 300, value \$3,000 ; St. Paul's Chapel, Sittings 150, value \$3,000 ; 4 acres of land, assessed at \$400.

The Rector will say that he feels persuaded that the work which has been done in this parish in years gone by in winning and adding souls to the Church through God's grace strengthening poor human efforts, still affords evidence of permanent abidance, and that the present outlook promises steady advance in favor with the people.

In rendering material help, by expenditure of money for the support of the Rector and parochial improvements, there has been, and still is, a hurtful lack of the accomplishment of manifest duty. It is, however, pleasant to perceive signs of improvement in this respect. The Rector has hope that another year will find his flock responding in some measure in contributions to at least most of the demands of the diocese, and not wholly neglectful of those of the Church as ordered and expressed by the General Convention.

GEO. F. BEAVEN, *Rector.*

St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.

George M. Russum and George W. Richardson, Wardens.

Charles Stevens, Philip W. Downes, Robert G. Stewart, J. W. Bryant, W. G. Horsey, George W. Richardson, George M. Russum, Chas. W. Byrn, Vestrymen.

Families 20 ; Souls 100 ; Baptisms, Adult 1 ; Confirmed 2 ; Marriage 1 ; Burials 2 ; Communicants, added 5 ; present number 22 ; actually communicating 20 ; Sunday School Teachers 7 ; Scholars about 64.

Receipts and Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions \$7.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$4.00 ; Convention Fund \$5 00 ; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$2.00 ; Diocesan Missions \$20.00 ; Home for Friendless Children, clothing for one child.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600 (including stipend from the Missions Committee), amount paid for six months \$300 ; Current Expenses \$40.84 ; Improvements and Repairs \$9.06 ; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$20.12 ; Sunday School, exclusive of church Repairs \$8.95 ; Offerings at the Boonsborough School House \$9.62 ; for other purposes \$18.20.

Church Property.—Christ Church, Sitings 100, value \$2,400 ; Insured for \$1,600.

I was instituted Rector of this parish December 8, 1880. This is one of the few parishes which pay the Rector's salary quarterly in advance. It is an exceedingly interesting field. My parishioners are deeply interested, wide awake and active. I have their hearty and unhesitating co-operation in everything. Our little church is almost their idol.

SAMUEL DAVIDSON HALL, *Rector.*

CECIL COUNTY.

North Elk or St. Mary Anne's Parish.

Samuel L. Chamberlain and Samuel W. Day, Wardens.

Joseph Coudon, Henry Coudon, John Mauldin, George P. Whitaker, Samuel L. Chamberlain, Wm. H. Simcoe, Robert Cameron, S. W. Day, Vestrymen.

Families 70 ; Souls 400 ; Baptisms, Adult 2 ; Infant 19—21 ; Confirmed 8 ; Marriages 4 ; Burials 16 ; Communicants, added 8 ; died 3 ; removed 12 ; present number 78 ; Sunday School Teachers 10 ; Scholars 100 ; Parish School Teacher 1 ; Scholars 25.

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

Receipts and Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions \$3.50; Domestic \$2 00; Indian \$5.00; Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews \$1.29.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$20.00; Diocesan Missions \$55.00; Home for Friendless Children \$4.29.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$700, amount paid \$700; Current Expenses \$235; Improvements and Repairs \$600; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$48.00; Horse, Carriage and Harness \$209.50.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$1,500; Insured for \$1,000; St. Mary's Church,ittings 350, value \$4,000; Insured for \$2,500; St. Mark's Chapel, value \$1,000; St. John in the Wilderness Chapel, value \$1,000; 16 acres of land, assessed at \$4,000.

Holy Communion administered in private 6 times, in public 28; Catechising frequently. A new chapel was built at a cost of a little over \$500 in a destitute portion of this parish. There is yet a debt on it of \$269.

ENOCH K. MILLER, *Rector.*

North Sassafra's Parish.

John C. Crookshank and David P. Davis, Wardens.

William Knight, S. E. Wills, George Biddle, D. P. Davis, William Ward, Henry Black, T. C. Crookshank, John C. Crookshank, Vestrymen.

Families 20, Souls 100; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infant 21=22; Confirmed 2; Marriages 8; Burials 2; Communicants, added 8; died 1; removed 3; present number 46; actually communicating 43; Sunday School Teachers 10; Scholars 63.

Receipts and Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$20.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$10.00; Diocesan Missions \$60.00; Home for Friendless Children \$45.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1,000, amount paid \$1,000; other Current Expenses, Improvements and Repairs, \$1,400; Communion Alms \$25.15.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$3,000; Insured for \$2,500; St. Stephen's Church, Stings 200, value \$6,000; Insured for \$6,000; St. Stephen's Chapel, Stings 123, value \$2,800; 300 acres of land, value \$15,000.

LEWIS WALKE, *Rector.*

Trinity Parish.

W. W. Henderson and John B. Wirt, Wardens.

W. W. Henderson, M. D., W. W. Henderson, John Partridge, Henry P. Leslie, J. B. Wirt, Geo. W. Cruikshank, R. G. Reese, Alfred Wetherill, Vestrymen.

Sundays 63, Souls about 250; Baptisms, Adult 2; Infant 14=16; Confirmed 6; Marriages (including one performed out of the diocese) 5;

Burials 5; Communicants, added 12; died 1; present number 98; actually communicating 75; Sunday School Teachers 7; Scholars 51.

Receipts and Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions \$13.90.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$8.00; Convention Fund \$20.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$3.65; Diocesan Missions \$77.70; Home for Friendless Children \$14.07.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600, amount paid \$600; Current Expenses \$126.97; Improvements and Repairs \$25.39; Communion Alms \$32.90; for all other purposes, including silver baptismal font (in memory of the late Henry B. Wirt), \$188.93.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$3,000; Insured for \$1,700 (\$150 on furniture); Trinity Church, Sitings 200, value \$3,000; Insured for \$4,000 (and \$100 on organ); Invested Fund \$443.

The parish, and the diocese as well, has sustained a severe loss in the sudden departure during the past conventional year of Mr. Henry Biddle Wirt, late Junior Warden and Vestryman. Missionary services have been carried on by the Rector at St. Augustine, Chesapeake City, and Baldwin's Mills. Regular services are maintained at these points. The Rector has been materially aided by the gentlemen of the parish in the furnishing of conveyances for the carrying on of this work. He would acknowledge also many substantial expressions of regard and appreciation from those among whom he has labored.

WILLIAM SCHOULER, *Rector.*

St. James' Church.

W. W. Hopkins and H. L. Physick, Wardens.

R. E. McClenahan, R. C. Hopkins, W. W. Davis, W. W. Hopkins, John Morhlien, J. W. Bevin, J. M. Touchstone, H. L. Physick, Vestrymen.

Families 28; Souls 150; Baptisms, Infant 6; Marriage 1; Burials 3; Communicants, present number 65; Sunday School Teachers 8; Scholars 54.

Receipts and Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Diocesan Missions \$45.00; Home for Friendless Children \$15.50.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount paid \$283.33; Current Expenses \$117.52; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$41.81.

Church Property.—St. James' Church. Sitings 200, value \$5,000; Insured for \$3,000.

The amount stated as paid for Rector's salary includes full payment of our former Rector's salary up to the time he left us, and of our present

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Rector's up to the 1st of July next. The amount promised each being different I have left it blank.

H. L. PHYSICK, *Vestryman.*

I have been in charge but one month and have gathered the figures given above from memoranda left by Rev. G. W. Easter.

J. CARMICHAEL, *Rector.*

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

Dorchester Parish.

Capt. John E. Graham and Robert L. Spilman, Wardens.

Samuel M. Travers, James Fooks, T. K. Carroll, Wm. W. Mace, John M. Willis, J. H. Edmondson, Robert L. Spilman, Thomas W. Stapleforte, Vestrymen.

Families 20; Souls 120; Baptisms, Adult 5; Infant 8—13; Confirmed 6; Marriages 6; Burial 1; Communicants, added 5; present number 27; actually communicating 25; Sunday School Teachers 3; Scholars 22.

Receipts and Contributions—For the Church at large.—Foreign \$2.00; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$1.00; Jews \$1.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$10.00; Diocesan Missions \$23.61; Home for Friendless Children \$8.35.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$300, amount paid \$151.00; Current Expenses \$48.76; Sunday School Offerings in hand, \$1 29.

Church Property.—Trinity and Grace Churches,ittings 360, value \$3,500; Insured for \$3,000; Invested Fund \$150.

One of the marriages above reported was solemnized in Nottoway County, Va. The Communion Alms not being needed for their usual purpose in the parish, have been appropriated to current expenses and to benevolent objects elsewhere and reported under the appropriate heads. Through the efforts of the ladies, matting has been placed on the floor of Grace Church, which has added to its comfort and appearance. Trinity Church, at Church Creek, is greatly in need of repairs, and steps are now taken to accomplish this object. The congregations here are good and the prospects of the Church very encouraging.

WM. WALLACE GREEN, *Rector.*

East New Market Parish.

Dr. Jas. S. Jacobs and S. J. Helsby, Wardens.

T. J. Hicks, J. H. Wright, J. H. Thomas, J. W. Andrews, T. B. Sherman, E. S. Johnson, W. Kesmodel, T. Leckie, Vestrymen.

Families 19; Souls 97; Baptisms, Infant 1; Communicants, present number 40; Sunday School Teachers 10; Scholars 40.

Receipts and Contributions—For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$200, amount paid \$50.00; Current Expenses \$20.00; Communion Alms \$1.60.

Church Property.—St. Stephen's Church.

WM. R. PICKMAN, *Rector.*

Great Choptank Parish.

Wm. R. Hayward and Daniel M. Henry, Wardens.

Alex. H. Bayly, Daniel M. Henry, Wm. R. Hayward, Thos. B. Steel, Chas. F. Goldsborough, Thos. H. Handy, Edward W. LeCompte, M. W. Goldsborough, Vestrymen.

Families 90; Souls 500; Baptisms, Adult 4; Infant 17—21; Confirmed 11; Marriages 4; Burials 8; Communicants, added 15; died 1; removed 16; present number 188; Sunday School Teachers 16; Scholars 130.

Receipts and Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions \$35.10; Domestic \$40.45; Indian \$4 00; Colored \$4.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$25.00; Convention Fund \$30.00; Diocesan Missions \$151.44; Home for Friendless Children \$61.76; Reduction of Debt for Church Repairs \$70.84.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount paid \$800; Current Expenses \$145.95; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$250; for all other purposes \$350.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$2,300; Insured for \$1,600; Christ Church. Sittings 350, value \$6,000; Insured for \$3,000; St. John's Chapel, Sittings 130, value \$900; Insured for \$800.

The Mission Chapel at Maple Dam Bridge will be completed by July 1, and will be commodious and attractive.

The Assistant Minister, as in past years, has rendered valued help to the Rector.

THEO. P. BARBER, *Rector.*

JAMES L. BRYAN, *Assistant Minister.*

Vienna Parish.

W. S. Craft and Jas. A. Higgins, Wardens.

Jas. M. Robertson, Dr. Eugene Hodson, W. S. Craft, Jas. A. Higgins, John W. T. Webb, Noah J. Kennerly, Thomas Higgins, E. D. Mardaugh, Vestrymen.

Families 15; Souls 48; Baptisms, Infant 3; Confirmed 2; Communicants, added 2; removed 1; present number 18; Sunday School Teachers 5; Scholars 15.

Receipts and Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$5.00; Diocesan Missions \$5.00; Home for Friendless Children \$3.00.

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For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$80.00, amount paid \$80.00; Current Expenses \$5.00.

Church Property.—St. Paul's Church,ittings 150.

WM. RAWLINS PICKMAN, *Rector.*

KENT COUNTY.

Chester Parish.

H. G. Westcote and T. S. Wickes, Wardens.

G. B. Westcote, W. H. E. Wickes, W. H. Meeteer, J. A. George, J. A. Wickes, W. S. Walker, G. W. T. Perkins, R. Hynson, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 2; Infant 8—10; Confirmed 4; Marriages 3; Burials 7; Communicants, added 5; removed 3; present number 76; Sunday School Teachers 10; Scholars 64.

Receipts and Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions \$19.65; Domestic \$8.23; Foreign \$2.14.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$76.00; Diocesan Missions \$86.72; Home for Friendless Children \$19.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1,000, amount paid \$852.50; Current Expenses \$142.58; Improvements and Repairs \$4,725; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$113.19.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$1,500; Church,ittings 281, value \$1,000; Chapel,ittings 60, value \$500; Invested Fund \$1,000.

Our church, which had become very dilapidated and unsightly, is now, through the efforts of the members of the parish, being remodelled and thoroughly repaired, so that we hope ere long to worship God in a place where we may hope for His presence.

S. C. ROBERTS, *Rector.*

I. U. Parish.

Albert Perkins and ——— Browne, Wardens.

Jos. Hossinger, E. W. Hepbron, Jas. Gummill, Luther Handy, U. P. Smith, S. W. Wallis, Albert Perkins, Vestrymen.

Families 12; Souls about 60; Baptisms, Infant 3; Confirmed 2; Communicants, added 2; removed 3; present number 18.

Receipts and Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund paid up in full to 1880; Diocesan Missions \$4.50; Home for Friendless Children \$1.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$200, amount paid \$185; Current Expenses (estimated) \$10.00.

Church Property.—Church, Sitings 200, value \$2,500; 10 acres of land, not assessed.

This parish has been so depleted by removals that there are now scarcely enough families in it to make up a congregation. It is to be hoped that there is a brighter day in reserve for it.

S. S. HEPBRON, *Rector.*

North Kent Parish.

D. C. Blackiston and L. M. Bean, Wardens.

C. H. B. Massey, D. C. Blackiston, Wm. Cacy, J. J. Spear, L. M. Bean, Stephen Boyer, C. S. Hurlock, Samuel Cacy, Vestrymen.

Families 35; Souls about 200; Baptisms, Infant 5; Confirmed 4; Marriages 2; Burials 3; Communicants, added 6; died 1; removed 2; present number 51; Sunday School Teachers 6; Scholars 65.

Receipts and Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$20.00; Diocesan Missions \$8.73.

For Diocesan Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$500 and Offertory, amount paid \$608; Current Expenses \$225.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$4,000; St. Clement's Church, Sitings 250, value not known; Chapel of the Holy Cross, Sitings 150, value , 2,000.

One of the candidates was confirmed at St. Mary's Hall, Burlington, New Jersey.

J. N. WATTSON, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Parish.

Geo. A. Jessop and T. W. Ringgold, Wardens.

L. A. Hulme, Joseph Rasin, John C. Wheatley, Josias Ringgold, James Ranken, J. A. Schwearer, S Constable, W. S. Thompson, Vestrymen.

Families 40; Souls (estimated) 250; Baptisms, Infant 11; Confirmed 3; Marriages 2; Burials 13; Communicants, added 6; died 1; removed 4; present number 66; actually communicating about 50; Sunday School Teachers 3; Scholars 25; Mission School Teachers 6; Scholars 30.

Receipts and Contributions—For the Church at large.—Foreign Missions \$5.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$20.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$5.00; Diocesan Missions \$6.93; Home for Friendless Children \$5.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$500, amount paid \$445; Current Expenses \$28.96; Improvements and Repairs \$10.00; Communion Alms \$15.00.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$1,600; Insured for \$1,200; Church, value \$2,500; Insured for \$1,800; 55 acres of land, not assessed.

S. S. HEPBRON, *Rector*.

Shrewsbury Parish.

Families 60; Souls 270; Baptisms, Infant 11; Marriages 5; Burials 6; Communicants, added 5; removed 3; present number 102; actually communicating about 600.

Receipts and Contributions—For the Church at large.—Domestic Missions \$5.00; Foreign \$5.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$20.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$20.00; Diocesan Missions \$50.00; Home for Friendless Children \$25.00; Extra Assessment \$20.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$700, amount paid \$700; Current Expenses \$125; Improvements and Repairs \$65.00; Communion Alms \$15.00; St. Andrew's Bell and Tower Fund \$125; Rectory Fund \$200; for all other purposes \$60.00.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$1,952; Insured for \$1,464; Shrewsbury Church,ittings 200, value \$3,253.50; Insured for \$2,440; St. Andrew's Chapel,ittings 150, value \$1,600; Insured for \$1,200; 10 acres of land.

The parish continues to enjoy a large share of peace and general prosperity. The average congregations are full; attendance at Holy Communion regular and large. Confirmation has been postponed until October, partly on account of the Rector's ill health during the spring.

St. Andrew's Chapel has the money for a bell of good size. The rectory at Shrewsbury is to be repaired and improved at a cost of several hundred dollars.

JNO. MARTIN, *Rector*.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

Christ Church Parish.

Wm. P. Tanner and E. S. Skinner, Wardens.

E. C. Legg, Chas. E. Tolson, Wm. Denny, J. H. Price, T. B. Eareckson, Wm. B. Goodhand, E. S. Skinner, Wm. P. Tanner, Vestrymen.

Families 12; Souls 100; Baptisms, Infant 7; Marriage 1; Burials 6; Communicants, added 1; present number 20; Sunday School Teachers 4; Scholars 35.

Receipts and Contributions—For the Church at large.—Domestic Missions \$7.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$15.00; Diocesan Missions \$15.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$800, in arrears; Other Current Expenses \$75.00; Improvements and Repairs \$20.00; Communion Alms \$9.00; Church Bell \$125; Church Furniture \$130.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$2,000; Insured for \$1,000; Christ Church,ittings 150, value \$2,500; Insurance applied for.

There is still a debt of \$250 upon the new church building. This we hope to pay within a short time, and then the church will be ready for consecration.

The parish holds in trust about eight hundred acres of land; a large portion of it is woodland, unenclosed and mostly unprofitable. The cultivated portions of it are improving, and will ultimately be remunerative.

P. D. THOMPSON, *Rector.*

St. Luke's Parish.

W. E. B. Faithful and Wm. Gould, Wardens.

W. H. Newnam, Jas. Brown, E. S. Valliant, Jos. E. George, A. J. Gadd, J. W. Appleford, Dr. G. W. Parvis, Wm. D. Gould, Vestrymen.

Families 44; Souls 173; Baptisms, Infant 10; Confirmed 9; Marriages 2; Burials 8; Communicants, added 13; removed 11; present number 79; actually communicating 70; Sunday School Teachers 7; Scholars 67.

Receipts and Contributions.—For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$12.00; Convention Fund \$5.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$2.40; Diocesan Missions \$52.57; Home for Friendless Children \$3.80.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$400, amount paid \$400; Current Expenses \$84.86; Improvements and Repairs on the Parish Church \$2,911.84; Communion Alms \$18.74; Improvements on St. Andrew's Chapel \$200; for all other purposes \$16.05.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$1,125; Insured for \$750; St. Luke's Church,ittings 250, value \$5,850; Insured for \$3,900; St. Andrew's Chapel,ittings 125, value \$2,100; Insured for \$1,400.

Extensive repairs and improvements have been made on our venerable parish church during the past year, which have cost altogether \$2,911.84; \$1,500 were contributed by a generous friend of the Church in Baltimore; others outside the parish gave smaller amounts; \$926.84 were raised by voluntary gifts among ourselves; of this, \$100 is due to the zeal and activity of our parochial Ladies' Aid Society.

W. G. DAVENPORT, *Rector.*

*Diocesan Convention of Easton.**St. Paul's Parish.*

James T. Earle and Richard T. Earle, Wardens.

Richard T. Earle, Wm. McKenney, Robert Goldsborough, John B. Brown, Edwin H. Brown, Samuel T. Earle, M. D., Richard Hollyday, Wm. H. Warren, Vestrymen.

Families 78; Souls (estimated) 350; Baptisms, Infant 13; Confirmed 20; Marriages 7; Burials 12; Communicants, added 31; died 2; removed 4; present number 151; actually communicating 143; Sunday School Teachers 10; Scholars 65; Parish School Teachers 2; Scholars 44.

Receipts and Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions \$15.25; Indian \$15.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$33.00; Convention Fund \$40.00; Diocesan Missions \$111.61; Home for Friendless Children \$38.00; Charities \$40.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1,000, amount paid \$1,000; Current Expenses \$581.49; Improvements and Repairs \$53.98; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$78.02; Sunday School \$43.05; for all other purposes \$227.50.

Church Property.—Rectory, with Lot, value \$1,800; Insured for \$1,200; St. Paul's Church,ittings 350, value \$6,000; Insured for \$4,000; Invested Fund \$1,000.

JAMES A. MITCHELL, *Rector.*

TALBOT AND QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTIES.

Wye Parish.

Philemon Davidson and Dr. N. Comegys, Wardens.

Hon. R. B. Carmichael, R. B. Carmichael, Jr., C. H. Tilghman, Tilghman Paca, Dr. Cockey, Philemon Davidson, George Davidson, William Rose, Vestrymen.

Families 26; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infant 18=19; Confirmed 6; Burials 7; Communicants, added 9; removed 1; present number 71; Sunday School Teachers 3; Scholars 12.

Receipts and Contributions—For the Church at large.—Domestic Missions \$5.00; Foreign \$5.00; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$7.50.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$10.00; Diocesan Missions \$24.82; Home for Friendless Children \$9.71.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$500, amount paid \$305.37; Current Expenses \$77.15; Improvements and Repairs \$514.40; Communion Alms \$31.46; for all other purposes \$32.00.

Church Property—Rectory, value \$1,200; St. Luke's Church,ittings 200, value \$1,800; St. Luke's Chapel,ittings 150, value \$800; 3½ acres of land.

I entered on my duties in this parish the latter end of last August. The above report, therefore, dates from that time. I have a Ladies' Aid Society, which is in a most prosperous condition. By their earnest and self-denying labors they have finished paying for the new roof on Wye Church, and made their Rector several valuable presents, for which he desires to express his gratitude. A font and new organ have been placed in the chapel, the rectory furnished and the garden nicely enclosed. While these things are nothing to boast of, I am led to believe they are evidences of God's blessing.

ALBERT WARE, *Rector.*

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Coventry Parish.

Thomas Williams and Charles Curtis, Wardens.

Geo. R. Dennis, Thomas Williams, Fred'k Adams, John S. Sudler, Charles Curtis, E. J. Davy, John Miles, Baldwin Hufty, Vestrymen.

Families 56; Souls 226; Baptisms, Infant 4; Confirmed 1; Marriages, 3; Burials 3; Communicants, added 4; died 1; present number 73; actually communicating 60; Sunday School Teachers 6; Scholars 10.

Receipts and Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions \$4.20; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$8.86.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$8.00; Convention Fund \$10.00; Diocesan Missions \$14.42; Home for Friendless Children \$2.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600, amount paid \$275; Current Expenses \$15.16; Improvements and Repairs about \$1,200; Communion Alms \$4.70.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$1,000; Insured for \$660; St. Stephen's Church,ittings 200, value \$1,000; St. Mark's Chapel,ittings 100, value \$200; St. Paul's Church,ittings 200, value \$1,000.

H. CRUIKSHANK, *Rector.*

*Diocesan Convention of Easton.**Somerset Parish.*

John Woolford and Levin H. Curtis, Wardens.

Isaac S. Atkinson, W. J. Brittingham, H. H. Dashiell, John W. Dashiell, W. H. Gale, William Stewart, Robert J. Waller, Levin Woolford, Vestrymen.

Families 90; Souls 450; Baptisms, Infant 16; Confirmed (one at H. More Academy) 8; Marriages 13; Burials 12; Communicants, added 20; died 8; present number 207; Sunday School Teachers 34; Scholars 163.

Receipts and Contributions—For the Church at large.—Domestic Missions \$11.65; Increase of Ministry \$75.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$68.00; Convention Fund \$40.00; Diocesan Missions \$55.00; Home for Friendless Children (clothing and money) \$27.47.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount paid \$583.50; Current Expenses \$122.01; Improvements and Repairs, \$135.43; Communion Alms \$21.95; Fund for new Organ about \$500.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$2,000; Insured for \$1,500; St. Andrew's (Princess Anne) Church,ittings 300, value \$6,000; Insured for \$3,000; All Saints' Church, Monie, value \$3,000; Church building and organ insured for \$2,000; Invested Fund \$5,523.39.

A careful revision reveals the fact that the names of the persons confirmed in Grace Church in 1879 had not been entered on the list of Communicants. This will account for the seemingly large number of persons added in above report.

JOHN O. BARTON, *Rector.*

WORCESTER COUNTY.

Pocomoke Parish.

C. C. Lloyd and George T. Truitt, Wardens.

Samuel S. McMaster, C. C. Lloyd, James W. Dougherty, Bennett Mason, L. P. Ewell, J. E. Hayward, D. J. O. Truitt, G. T. Truitt, Vestrymen.

Families 90; Souls 338; Baptisms, Adult 2; Infant 13=15; Confirmed 4; Marriages 4; Burials 7; Communicants, added 6; removed 4; present number 107; Sunday School Teachers 12; Scholars 120.

Receipts and Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions \$3.40; Conversion of Jews 83 cts.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$15.00; Convention Fund \$18.00; Diocesan Missions \$25.00; Home for Friendless Children \$11.33.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; Current Expenses \$100; Stove, &c., \$16.50.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$1,800; Insured for \$1,250; St. Mary's Church,ittings 250, value \$5,000; Insured for \$3,000; St. Stephen's Chapel,ittings 150, value \$1,000; Insured for \$800; School House and Lot \$100; Invested Fund \$445.47.

FRANCIS W. HILLIARD, *Rector.*

TALBOT COUNTY.

St. Michael's Parish.

William F. Dawson and Joseph Skinner, Wardens.

John C. Adams, George W. Tyler, Joseph B. Harrington, John W. Kemp. Eugene Denney, James Covey, William Willis, William Caulk, Vestrymen.

Families 50; Souls 250; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infant 9=10; Confirmed 8; Marriages 7; Burials 5; Communicants, added 8; died 1; removed 3; present number 75; actually communicating 65; Sunday School Teachers 9; Scholars 70.

Receipts and Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions \$30.00; Foreign \$10.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$17.00; Convention Fund \$20.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$35.00; Diocesan Missions \$45.90; Home for Friendless Children \$35.04.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$800, amount paid \$800; Current Expenses \$166; Improvements and Repairs \$125; Communion Alms \$39.24; Easter presents to the Rector \$75.00; for all other purposes \$100.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$2,000; Insured for \$2,000; Parish Church,ittings 350, value \$14,000; not Insured; St. Paul's Chapel,ittings 125, value \$1,000; Holy Innocents' Chapel,ittings 100, value \$800; Invested Fund \$3,000.

The items in this report are greatly reduced, St Michaels Parish having in the last year been divided into three parishes, "St. Michael's," "St. John's" and "All Saints'" Parishes. The old parish has by this division lost half of its former members and about two-thirds of its wealth, but we hope in a few years to bring the report up to the old standard.

ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, *Rector.*

W. Minnick, Wardens.

Isaac S. A.
W. H. C.
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V. H. Smith, M. T. Golds-
L. Chamberlaine, M. D., E. L. F.

16; Confirmed 8; Mar-
died 4; removed 15; pres-
the past year (average) 84;

Domestic Missions

Diocesan Missions \$120.95;

Special Clergy Relief \$91.00;

promised \$1,200, amount

and Repairs \$53.49;

\$133.56; Horse, Carriage

other purposes \$156.50.

Insured for \$3,000; Christ

School Chapel, value \$2,000;

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has been purchased for the use

working of the parish and

ROBERT WILSON, *Rector*.

St. Andrew's Church.

Rev. Matthews, Wardens.

Samuel S.
L. P. F.

Families
Marriages
number 10;
Receipts
\$3.40; Cons

Robert Bartlett, W. A. Kirby, John
T. Bartlett, James K. Benson,

1; Infant 11—12; Confirmed 8;
added 6; died 4; removed 1; pres-
92; Sunday School Teachers 10;

for the Church at large.—Foreign Mis-

sions \$31.00; Indian (value of box) \$100; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans (per centage of Communion Alms) \$3.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$20.00; Convention Fund \$25.00; Diocesan Missions \$60.00; Home for Friendless Children \$42.50.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600, amount paid \$563.75; Current Expenses \$169.63; Improvements and Repairs \$430.30; Communion Alms \$58.00; Sunday School Work \$38.83; for all other purposes \$148.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$2,500; Insured for \$1,500; St. Paul's (Trappe) Church, Sitings 250, value \$3,500; Insured for \$2,500; Grace (Oxford) Chapel, Sitings 110, value \$1,200; Insured for \$1,000.

ALBERT R. WALKER, *Rector.*

Trinity Cathedral.

J. F. Bateman and James P. Davidson, Wardens.

H. E. Bateman, J. F. Bateman, John W. Cheezum, D. R. D. Cheezum, T. K. Robson, Trustees.

Families 26; Souls 108; Baptisms, Infant 7; Confirmed 9; Marriage 1; Burials 6; Communicants, present number 40; Sunday School Teachers 11; Scholars 73.

Receipts and Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions \$14.50; Foreign \$5.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$10.00; Convention Fund \$8.00; Diocesan Missions \$45.88; Home for Friendless Children \$42.08.

For Parochial Uses—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600, amount paid \$600; Current Expenses \$52.82; Improvements and Repairs \$275; Communion Alms \$50.87.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$2,750; Insured for \$1,500; Trinity Chapel, Sitings 150, value \$750; Insured for \$600; Holy Cross (Easton Point) Chapel, Sitings 50, value \$250.

RT. REV. HENRY C. LAY, *Rector.*

J. WORRALL LARMOUR, *Assistant Minister.*

All Saints' Parish.

Geo. R. Goldsborough and A. Powell Neal, Wardens.

Harrison Austin, Lewis Willis, J. Thomas Kirby, Geo. R. Goldsborough, Anselm W. Neal, Chas. H. Rose, J. McD. Goldsborough, Hedge Thompson, Vestrymen.

Families 80; Souls 175; Baptisms, Infant 12; Confirmed 10; Burials 5; Communicants, added 10; removed 8; present number 58; Sunday School Teachers 4; Scholars 85.

St. Peter's Parish.

General Missions

Orphans \$20 00.

Julius A. Johnson, M. D., and George W. Martin, M. D., Missions \$58.35;

Samuel Hambleton, I. L. Adkins, M. D., Wm. H. [redacted] \$800, amount
borough, Jno. C. Earle, M. D., J. E. M. Chamberlain, and Repairs, \$150;
Hardcastle, Wm. R. Martin, Vestrymen.

Families 75; Souls about 400; Baptisms, Infant [redacted] \$3,000; Insured
riages 3; Burials 12; Communicants, added 11; d-
ent number 148; actually communicating during the [redacted] this field is making
Sunday School Teachers 7; Scholars 100. [redacted] part of the people

Receipts and Contributions—For the Church at [redacted] to a high degree.
\$28.65; Foreign \$19.00; Indian \$50.86. [redacted] has withdrawn the

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$50.00; [redacted] The reported
Home for Friendless Children \$180.99; Special [redacted] as the last quarter
Church at Denton \$10.00. [redacted] of construction, to

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount [redacted] has established at
paid \$1,200; Current Expenses \$335.18; Improve [redacted] as soon as a board
Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor [redacted] the summer. The
and Harness \$227; Parish Debt \$191.69; for all [redacted] manifested by the

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$4,000; [redacted] of ladies has been
Church, Sitzings 450, value \$16,000; Sunday School [redacted] the sick and the poor,
Insured for \$1,500. [redacted] of the sanctuary.

The apparent enormous decrease in the number [redacted] in which
from the discovery of a singular error in the [redacted] up the Church of the
of the list. The copyist inadvertently wrote
has thus for the past ten years been credited
possessed. The actual loss during the year
list is as nearly accurate as possible.

W. T. BEAVEN, Rector.

An excellent horse, carriage and harness
of the Rector, ensuring the more thorough
greatly reducing its expenses.

T. H. Oliver, J. H.

Whitemarsh

John W. Martin and Dr. Alex.

John W. Martin, Dr. Alex. Matthews,
Warner, Alexander Barnett, James
Vestrymen.

Families 59; Souls 287; Baptisms, A
Marriages 2; Burial 8; Communicants
ent number 111; actually communicat
Scholars 66.

Receipts and Contributions—For

no: 17—18; Confirmed 8;

removed 1; present num-

Teachers 8; Scholars 18.

—Diocesan Missions

promised \$800, amount

Communion Alms \$35.71.

Michael's Parish, and only

independent congrega-

parishes strengthened the

to a parish. In December

regular parochial work was begun and has been continued uninterruptedly till the present time. The foregoing Report is for five months except where otherwise stated.

F. B. CROZIER, *Rector.*

WICOMICO COUNTY.

Salisbury Parish.

Dr. Eugene W. Humphreys and Elijah Parsons, Wardens.

John White, Wm. Waller, Thos. F. J. Rider, J. A. Parsons, Gustavus W. White, Isaac S. Adams, Randolph Humphreys, L. P. Humphreys, Vestrymen.

Families 80 ; Souls 350 ; Baptisms, Adult 5 ; Infant 19—24 ; Confirmed 12 ; Marriages 7 ; Burials 9 ; Communicants, added 16 ; removed 8 ; present number 140 ; Sunday School Teachers 18 ; Scholars 130.

Receipts and Contributions—For the Church at large.—Domestic Missions \$14.92.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$30.50 ; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$5.00 ; Diocesan Missions 50.00 ; Home for Friendless Children \$12.74.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$800, amount paid \$800 ; Current Expenses \$258.37 ; Improvements and Repairs \$191 87 ; Communion Alms \$38.92 ; Easter Offering \$55.06 ; for the Poor \$48.92 ; for all other purposes \$90.50.

Church Property—Rectory, value \$2,500 ; Insured for \$1,500 ; Church,ittings 350, value \$5,000 ; Insured for \$3,000 ; 11 acres of land, assessed at \$1,000 ; Invested Fund \$386.50.

JAMES H. B. BROOKS, *Rector.*

Spring Hill Parish.

Ezekiel Hitch and John F. Collier, Wardens.

Dr. Wm. H. H. Dashiell and J. A. Taylor, Assistant Wardens.

Wm. Howard, V. F. Collier, Wm. Bennett, A. L. Jones, Geo. Waller, Geo. Hitch, H. H. Kennerly, Horace Venables, Vestrymen.

Families 75 ; Souls 300 ; Baptisms, Adult 1 ; Infant 18—14 ; Confirmed 8 ; Marriages 3 ; Burials 4 ; Communicants, added 9 ; died 2 ; removed 4 ; present number 139.

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

Receipts and Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Diocesan Missions
\$1.25

For Parochial Uses.—For all purposes \$230.

Church Property.—St. Paul's, Spring Hill and St. Philip's Churches,
Quinn's. Sittings 500; Invested Fund \$600.

JAMES H. B. BROOKS, *Rector.*

WORCESTER COUNTY.*All Hallows' Parish.*

John James Collins and James D. Hack, Wardens.

Reverend W. Bishop, Samuel H. Townsend, Thomas D. Purnell, George M.
Prebend. Thos. Z. Johnson, John J. Collins, Oliver D. Collins, Horace
Parson Vestrymen.

Members 24; Souls 230; Baptisms, Infant 1; Burials 2; Communicants,
number 4; present number 80; actually communicating 50; Sunday School
Teachers 9; Scholars 65.

Receipts and Contributions—For the Church at large.—Domestic Mis-
sions \$2.50; Foreign \$2.50; Indian \$1.00; Colored \$1.00; Clergy Relief
and Widows and Orphans \$1.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$18.00; Diocesan Missions \$2.60;
Home of Headless Children \$3.50.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$650, amount
paid \$550; Current Expenses \$56.00; Improvements and Repairs \$10.00;
Contributions to various other Charities for the Poor \$11.89.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$1,200; All Hallows' Church, Sittings
250 value \$1,200. Chapel of the Holy Cross, Klej Grange, value \$400; St.
John's Church, Stockton, value \$400; Invested Fund \$4,200.

ALGERNON BATTE, *Rector.*

Worcester Parish.

John N. Purnell and W. Selby Purnell, Wardens.

Reverend Wm. Shewell, W. S. Purnell, H. C. Hudson, E. J. Dirickson
Wm. James Taylor, J. F. Jones, Jos. Miller, Vestrymen.

Members 25; Souls 130; Baptisms, Infant 3; Burial 1; Communicants,
number 20; actually communicating 50; Sunday School Teachers
Teachers 24

Receipts and Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions \$15.94 ; Jews Mission \$4.89.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$15.00; Diocesan Missions \$22.82; Home for Friendless Children \$3 50.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$500, amount paid \$266.40 ; Current Expenses \$27.68 ; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$31.36.

Church Property.—St. Paul's Church, Berlin ; Insured for \$1,250 ; St. Martin's Chapel.

This Report embraces the period of eight months only, during which time the present incumbent has been in charge of the parish.

HENRY T. LEE, *Rector.*

CLERICAL REPORTS.

During the past year, though laboring under physical infirmity the greater part of the time, I have preached fifteen times, reading the Service also eleven of the fifteen ; administered the Holy Communion three times, only one of them in this diocese, and assisted in its administration repeatedly. I have also, in the Diocese of New York, baptized two infants and read the Burial Service three times.

EDWARD. J. STEARNS, *Presbyter.*

EASTON, *June* 1, 1881.

Physical disability has prevented the undersigned from doing any parochial duty during the past year ; but as a physician he has administered medicine and advice to such objects of charity as have presented themselves.

E. G. PERRYMAN, M. D.

PERRYMANSVILLE.

TABLE I.—Statistics of Persons.

PARISH OR CONGREGATION.	Popu- lation.	Total Popu- lation.	BAPTISMS.		Con- fessions.	Marriages.	Funerals.	COMMUNICANTS.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.		PARISH SCHOOLS.	
			Adult.	Infant.				Added.	Died.	Re- moved.	Present Number.	Teach- ers.	Scholars	Teach- ers.	Scholars
St John's	37	160	1	26	3	4	12	3	1	2	51	4	30	.....	.....
St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	20	100	.....	.....	2	1	2	5	.....	.....	22	7	64	.....	.....
Augustine	70	400	2	19	8	4	16	8	6	12	78	10	100	1	25
North Rk	20	100	1	21	2	3	2	3	1	3	46	10	66	.....	.....
N. Savafras	63	260	2	14	6	5	5	12	1	.....	93	7	51	.....	.....
Trinity, Cecil	25	150	.....	6	.....	1	3	.....	.....	.....	65	8	54	.....	.....
St James'	20	130	5	8	6	6	1	.....	.....	.....	27	3	22	.....	.....
Dorchester.....	19	97	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	40	10	40	.....	.....
East New Market	15	48	.....	3	2	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	18	5	15	.....	.....
Vienna	90	500	4	17	11	4	8	15	1	16	188	16	130	.....	.....
Great Choptank.....	39	156	2	8	4	3	7	5	.....	3	76	10	64	.....	.....
Christer.....	12	60	.....	3	2	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	18	.....	.....	.....	.....
I. U.....	26	200	.....	5	4	2	3	6	1	2	51	6	65	.....	.....
N Kent.....	40	250	.....	11	3	2	13	6	1	4	66	9	56	.....	.....
St. Paul's, Kent.....	60	270	.....	11	.....	5	6	5	.....	3	102	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shrewsbury.....	12	100	.....	7	.....	1	6	1	.....	.....	20	4	35	.....	.....
Christ Church Parish	44	172	.....	10	9	2	8	15	.....	11	79	7	67	.....	.....
St. Luke's, Q. A.....	78	350	.....	13	20	7	12	31	2	4	151	10	65	2	44
St. Paul's, Q. A.	26	130	1	16	6	.....	7	9	.....	1	71	3	12	.....	.....
Wye.....	56	256	.....	4	1	3	3	4	1	.....	73	6	10	.....	.....
Conventry.....	90	460	.....	16	8	18	12	20	8	.....	207	34	163	.....	.....
Birmingham.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wicomico	60	338	2	13	4	4	7	6	.....	4	107	12	120	.....	.....
Pocomoke	50	250	1	9	8	7	5	8	1	3	75	9	70	.....	.....
St. Michael's.....	75	400	.....	16	8	3	12	11	4	16	148	7	100	.....	.....
St Peter's	59	287	1	11	3	2	8	6	4	1	111	10	66	.....	.....
Holy Trinity, Oxford.....	26	108	.....	7	9	1	6	.....	.....	.....	40	11	73	.....	.....
Whitemarsh.....	30	175	.....	12	10	.....	5	10	.....	3	56	4	25	.....	.....
Cathedral.....	12	85	1	17	3	2	1	5	1	1	35	3	13	.....	.....
All Saints'	60	350	5	19	12	7	9	16	.....	3	140	18	130	.....	.....
Miles River.....	75	300	1	13	8	3	4	9	2	4	139	.....	.....	.....	.....
St Matthew's.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ballsbury	24	240	.....	1	.....	.....	2	4	.....	.....	80	9	65	.....	.....
Spring Hill.....	27	120	.....	3	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	70	4	25	.....	.....
St. Mary .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
All Hallows' .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Worcester .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals.....	1,407	6,912	29	340	160	100	186	282	29	99	2,645	266	1,404	3	69

* See Bishop's Address.

Japanese Convention of Eastern.

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Contributions for all purposes—General, \$760.43; Diocesan, \$3,422.89; Parochial, \$31,551.89; other purposes, \$3,860.16; in all, \$37,595.37. * These totals are taken from the Reports of Diocesan Treasurers.

TABLE III.—Statistics of Buildings and Property.

PARISH OR CONGREGATION.	RECTOR Y.		CHURCHES.				GLASS.		INVESTED FUND.
	Value.	Insurance.	Num-ber.	Value.	Insurance.	Sittings.	No. Acres.	Value.	
St John's.....	\$1,500 00	.....	3	\$0 00 00	.....	450	4	\$400 00	.....
St Mary's Whitechapel.....	.....	.....	1	2,400 00	\$1,500 00	100	.....	.....	.....
Augustine.....	.....	.....	1	800 00	.....	150	.....	.....	.....
North Elk.....	1,500 00	\$1,000 00	1	6,000 00	2,500 00	200	16	4,000 00	.....
North Sausstrus.....	2,000 00	2,500 00	2	8,800 00	6,000 00	255	800	15,000 00	.....
Trinity, Elston.....	6,000 00	1,700 00	1	2,000 00	4,000 00	300	.....	.....	\$445 00
St James.....	.....	.....	1	5,000 00	8,000 00	300	.....	.....	.....
Dorchester.....	.....	.....	2	5,500 00	3,000 00	350	.....	.....	100 00
East New Market.....	.....	.....	1	800 00	.....	100	.....	.....	.....
Great Choptank.....	2,300 00	1,500 00	1	6,900 00	3,800 00	450	.....	.....	.....
Vleema.....	.....	.....	1	500 00	.....	150	.....	.....	.....
Chester.....	1,500 00	.....	1	6,500 00	.....	275	10	.....	1,000 00
I. U.....	.....	.....	1	2,500 00	.....	200	.....	200 00	.....
North Kent.....	4,000 00	.....	2	3,000 00	.....	400	.....	.....	.....
St. Paul's, Kent.....	1,500 00	1,200 00	1	2,500 00	1,600 00	150	55	1,000 00	.....
Shrewsbury.....	1,950 00	1,454 00	1	4,850 00	2,600 00	350	10	1,000 00	.....
Christ Church Parish.....	2,000 00	1,000 00	1	2,500 00	.....	150	800	.....	.....
St. Luke's, Q. A.....	1,195 00	750 00	1	7,950 00	3,300 00	375	.....	.....	.....
St. Paul's, Q. A.....	1,800 00	1,800 00	2	6,000 00	4,000 00	250	.....	.....	1,000 00
Wye.....	1,300 00	.....	1	2,000 00	.....	250	3½	100 00	.....
Covenry.....	1,000 00	600 00	4	2,300 00	.....	500	.....	.....	.....
Somerset.....	3,000 00	1,500 00	1	8,000 00	5,000 00	450	.....	.....	5,500 00
Wicombe.....	1,300 00	1,350 00	1	800 00	.....	150	.....	.....	.....
Pocomoke.....	1,300 00	2,000 00	3	6,000 00	3,800 00	400	.....	100 00	445 47
St. Michael's.....	2,000 00	2,000 00	3	15,000 00	.....	525	.....	.....	2,000 00
St. Peter's.....	4,000 00	.....	2	10,000 00	1,500 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Holy Trinity, Oxford.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wilemarth.....	2,500 00	1,500 00	3	4,700 00	3,500 00	300	.....	.....	.....
Calderel.....	2,750 00	1,800 00	2	1,000 00	600 00	200	.....	.....	.....
All Saints.....	.....	.....	1	6,000 00	6,000 00	150	20	600 00	.....
Willie River.....	.....	.....	1	5,000 00	.....	250	.....	.....	.....
St. Matthew's.....	.....	.....	1	500 00	.....	100	.....	.....	.....
Salisbury.....	2,500 00	1,200 00	1	6,000 00	3,000 00	250	11	1,000 00	200 00
Spring Hill.....	.....	.....	2	2,000 00	.....	100	.....	.....	600 00
Stepney.....	1,200 00	.....	1	2,800 00	.....	550	.....	.....	.....
All Hallows.....	.....	.....	3	2,000 00	.....	200	.....	.....	4,200 00
Worcester.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals.....	\$40,205 00	\$26,204 00	61	\$107,400 00	\$28,000 00	10,540	1,242½	\$25,450 00	\$16,800 00

APPENDIX.

ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN OF THE EASTERN SHORE OF MARYLAND.

Few apparent changes have taken place since our last Report to Convention, and yet to us who have the internal management of the institution the aspect of affairs is materially altered.

Another of our larger girls has been provided with a home, leaving but two over the age of fourteen, and one of these will be sent out in the ensuing September. The heavier portion of domestic duty thus devolves upon some half dozen girls whose ages range from twelve to fifteen years. Two small children have been received during the year, and the present number is twenty-one.

In the months of August and September our Home was again visited with serious sickness, and Mary Clough, aged fourteen, died after an illness of five weeks. Other cases of lighter type occurred, and were, in great part, attributable to defective drainage, which has been remedied and will be carefully guarded against in the future.

The kindness of a friend in paying fifty dollars of the debt on the new kitchen leaves but fifty more for us to discharge before we are entirely free from debt. The liberal donations, both in money and provisions, at Thanksgiving, enabled us to pass comfortably through the severe winter. Until the middle of next August we shall have no further installment of revenue from our small investment, and any supplies sent in will be most welcome. Annexed is a list of provisions, &c., received.

All which is respectfully submitted.

ELIZA W. LAY, *President.*

D. CORNELIA DAWSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

BOXES AND BARRELS SENT.

A friend in Baltimore, one barrel flour; from Salisbury Parish, one box of groceries, &c.; at Thanksgiving, from All Saints' Parish, a wagon-load of poultry, vegetables, &c.; from St. Michael's Parish, the same; St. Paul's Parish, Centreville, a quantity of hams, poultry, groceries, vegetables, &c.; Trinity Parish, Elkton, a large box of groceries, canned fruit and vegetables, soap, starch, dry goods and ready-made clothing; Mrs. Coudon, of Cecil, one barrel apples; at Christmas, from St. Michael's, poultry and vegetables; Trappe, vegetables and apples; All Saints', vegetables and nuts; a friend in Baltimore, two bushels of rye flour; Shrewsbury Parish, box of dry goods and sundries; Kingston, Somerset County, box of gro-

ceries, flour, soap, &c.; All Hallows' Parish, Worcester County, box of groceries, poultry, lard, dry goods, &c.; Church Creek, Dorchester County, box of groceries, soap, &c.; Commodore Lowndes, of Talbot, barrel of apples; St. Stephen's Church, Coventry Parish, box of groceries, potatoes, dried and canned fruits, soap, &c.; Somerset Parish, two boxes containing rice, sugar, preserves, canned tomatoes, beef, groceries, salt, rye flour, &c.; from a friend, 1 barrel flour; Pocomoke Parish, Worcester County, box of groceries, dried apples, buckwheat, &c.; Chestertown, Kent County, 1 box of canned fruit, dry goods and sundries; Mr. Wetherell, Elkton, barrel of meal; Mite Society of Cecilton, two quilts.

LIST OF PARISHES WHEREIN CHILDREN ARE CLOTHED.

Trinity and North Elk, jointly, one child; St. Mary Anne's Parish, Shrewsbury Parish, Great Choptank Parish, Chester Parish, North Sassafras Parish, Princess Anne, St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's County, Berlin, Salisbury, Whitemarsh Parish, Sunday School of Chestertown, Kent County, each clothe one child; three children are clothed in St. Michael's Parish; two ladies of Baltimore clothe a child; two ladies of Wye Parish, one child; Christ Church Guild, Denton, one child.

LIST OF OFFICERS.

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REPORT OF TREASURER OF HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN.

*The Home for Friendless Children**in account with MRS. GEO. R. GOLDSBOROUGH.*

SUBSCRIPTIONS FROM PARISHES.

Cecil County—N. Sassafras Parish, St. Stephen's Church..	\$65 00	
Trinity Church, Elkton.....	13 69	
St. James' Church, Port Deposit.....	29 50	
Total from Cecil County.....	—	\$108 19
Kent County—Shrewsbury Parish.....	25 00	
Chester ".....	20 50	
St. Paul's ".....	6 00	
Total from Kent County.....	—	51 50
Queen Anne's County—St. Paul's Parish, Centreville.....	35 00	
Wye ".....	10 71	
St. Luke's " Church Hill.....	3 80	
Total from Queen Anne's County..	—	49 51
Caroline County—Christ Church, Denton.....	2 09	
Total from Caroline County.....	—	2 09
Talbot County—Christ Church, St. Peter's Parish, Easton.	130 99	
Whitemarsh Parish.....	44 23	
Christ Church, St. Michael's Parish.....	35 04	
St. John's Chapel.....	7 50	
All Saints' Church.....	68 00	
Trinity Cathedral.....	42 08	
Total from Talbot County.....	—	307 83
Dorchester County—Great Choptank Parish.....	61 81	
Vienna ".....	5 00	
Dorchester Parish, Grace Church...	4 14	
" " Trinity " ...	3 85	
Total from Dorchester County.....	—	74 30
Somerset County—Somerset Parish.....	20 00	
Coventry ".....	2 00	
Total for Somerset County.....	—	22 00
Worcester County—Pocomoke Parish.....	20 55	
All Hallows'.....	2 00	
Worcester Parish, Berlin.....	14 50	
Total from Worcester County.....	—	37 05
Wicomico County—Salisbury Parish.....	12 99	
Spring Hill ".....	3 12	
Total from Wicomico County.....	—	16 11
Total contributions from Parishes.....		\$688 58
Interest on investment.....		380 00
Miscellaneous receipts.....		13 22
Balance June 1, 1880.....		44 11
Total receipts.....		\$1,105 91

EXPENDITURES.

Matron's salary.....	\$200 00
Assistant Matron.....	187 50
Supplies.....	369 73
General expenses	119 09
Clothing.....	55 49
Medicine	26 82
Fuel	69 99
Insurance.....	82 25
Total spent.....	\$1,060 87
Balance in bank.....	65 04
	<u>\$1,105 91</u>

MRS. G. R. GOLDSBOROUGH,

EASTON, June 1, 1881.

Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

*Convention of the Diocese of Easton in account with*THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer.*

DR.

1880.	June 2.	To cash paid Rev. E. F. Dashiell, as per account and voucher No. 1.....	\$3 75
	" 3.	To cash paid Rev. James A. Mitchell, as per receipt and voucher No. 2.....	25 00
	" 4.	To cash paid Rev. James A. Mitchell, for Sexton, as per receipt and voucher No. 3.....	10 00
	August.	To postal order to Rev. James A. Mitchell, freight on Journal, &c., as per receipt and voucher No. 4.....	8 79
	Sept. 1.	To cash paid E. Larrabee & Sons, administrators of Innes & Co., for printing Journal of Convention.....	194 50
	Oct. 2.	To assessment for General Convention Fund....	90 00
		To cash paid Clerical Delegates, expenses to General Convention, as per vouchers Nos. 7, 8, 9, 10.....	85 00
1881.	May 26.	To cash paid Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, travelling expenses to 1st of June, 1881.....	250 00
	" 25.	To cash paid Rev. T. P. Barber, as Registrar, and expenses of all Standing Committees, as per vouchers Nos. 12 and 13.....	11 40
		Balance in hand.....	207 72
			<u>\$892 16</u>

CR.

1880.	June 1.	Balance in hand.....	278 66
"	1.	By cash of the Rev. J. H. Chesley, Rector of Vienna, in full of Parochial Contributions,	5 00
"	2.	By cash and checks of Chairman of Committee..	618 50
			<u>\$892 16</u>

All of which is most respectfully submitted,

THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

With Treasurer's Statement.

RECEIVED.

On account of subscriptions and notes paid.....	\$1,085 70
From sale of Baltimore and Ohio Railroad stock.....	1,850 00
Balance at last report	825 42
	<u>\$3,711 12</u>

EXPENDED.

For commissions, stamps, &c.....	\$55 12
For taxes.....	119 80

INVESTED.

Loans on call.....	1,200 00
24 shares Easton National Bank of Maryland....	960 00
Balance for principal account (for investment).....	1,376 10
	<u>\$3,711 12</u>

PAID.

Salary of the Bishop—four quarters to July 1.....	\$2,500 00
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RECEIPTS.

From interest and dividends	\$2,002 12
From extra assessment, paid by ten parishes.....	179 67
Balance from last year.....	5 56
Deficiency.....	312 65
	<u>\$2,500 00</u>

I. L. ADKINS, *Treasurer.*

The Trustees, in submitting the above statement, respectfully direct the attention of the Convention to the fact that if all the parishes had paid the extra assessment this year, there would not have been a deficiency to re-

port in the revenue. Some have not contributed in this special way, toward the Bishop's salary, these three years past—since the assessment was ordered. It is suggested, with great respect and seriousness, that it may become even *more* important, hereafter, that every parish shall pay its proper portion, including all arrears. Without this help (certainly not very large from each parish) there will not be enough funds at command of the Trustees to pay the Bishop's salary entire throughout the year. We have no right to use the principal for this purpose, and what has been so employed this year must be restored to its proper place.

RICHARD B. CARMICHAEL,
CHARLES LOWNDES,
GEORGE R. GOLDSBOROUGH,
EDMUND L. F. HARDCASTLE,
W. S. WALKER,
I. L. ADKINS.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF CLERGY RELIEF FUND.

1880.

June 1.	Cash balance on hand as per last report.....	\$958 95	
	Invested in Masonic Hall Association stock....	900 00	
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	Leaves cash on hand.....	\$58 95	
	One year's interest thereon.....	3 54	
		<hr/>	\$62 49

Contributions received since last report :

June 1.	From Coventry Parish	5 91
" 5.	" Somerset Parish.....	9 25
" 5.	" St. Paul's Parish, Kent County.....	6 00
" 9.	" Grace Church, Dorchester County ..	62
" 15.	" Trinity Church, Elkton.....	8 65
" 17.	" Pocomoke Parish.....	6 25
" 28.	" North Sassafras Parish.....	24 00
July 16.	" St. Michael's Parish.....	85 00
Dec. 20.	" All Saints' Church, Talbot County....	1 00
1881.		
Mch. 15.	" St. Paul's, Kent County.....	5 00
Apl. 20.	" Shrewsbury Parish....	20 00
May 25.	" Salisbury Parish.....	5 00
	" Dividends on Masonic Hall Association stock.....	60 00
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	Making amount in my hands May 31, 1881.....	\$244 17

EDMUND L. F. HARDCASTLE, *Treasurer.*

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF BOARD OF DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

The Board of Diocesan Missions in account with I. L. ADKINS, Treasurer.

DR.

1880-81. July to April. To cash paid drafts of the Bishop—

To East New Market Parish.....	\$150 00
Dorchester Parish.....	250 00
Coventry Parish.....	200 00
Worcester Parish.....	100 00
St. Michael's (All Saints') Parish....	50 00
St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.....	125 00
St. Luke's Parish	200 00
St. James' Church, Port Deposit.....	125 00
Balance on hand.....	259 66

\$1,459 66

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By balance on hand at last Report.....	\$192 91
By cash from Great Choptank Parish.....	150 44
Rev. Mr. Nott.....	5 00
Dorchester Parish.....	18 11
East New Market Parish, }	12 24
Vienna Parish,	
Salisbury Parish.....	50 00
Spring Hill Parish.....	8 25
Somerset Parish.....	58 00
Worcester Parish.....	40 00
All Hallows' Parish.....	14 31
Coventry Parish.....	8 86
Tyaskin	2 25
St. Peter's Parish.....	120 95
St. Michael's Parish..\$45 90 }	104 50
St. John's..... 5 25 }	
All Saints'..... 53 85 }	
Whitemarsh Parish	60 00
Trinity Cathedral.....	45 88
St. John's (Caroline) Parish.....	5 79
St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.....	19 12
St. Paul's (Queen Anne's) Parish....	108 20
St. Luke's Parish.....	52 57
Wye Parish.....	24 82
Chester Parish	89 72
Shrewsbury Parish.....	33 17
North Kent Parish... ..	8 67
North Sassafras Parish.....	60 00

Appendix.

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By cash from St. Augustine Parish.....	\$1 27
North Elk Parish.....	41 98
Trinity (Elkton) Parish.....	77 70
St. James' Church, Port Deposit....	45 00
	<u>\$1,459 68</u>

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PAROCHIAL ASSESSMENTS

The Committee on Parochial Assessments report they have received the sum of \$488.50, being less than received at the last Convention.

The following parishes have paid into our hands as follows:

St. John's, Caroline County, for 1880 and 1881	\$10 00
St. Mary's Whitechapel, for 1881	5 00
St. Mary Anne's.....	15 00
North Sassafras.....	50 00
Trinity, Elkton.....	20 00
St. James', Port Deposit.....	12 50
Dorchester Parish.....	8 00
Great Choptank.....	30 00
Vienna Parish.....	5 00
Chester Parish....	40 00
Shrewsbury Parish.....	20 00
St. Luke's Parish, Q. A.....	5 00
St. Paul's Parish, Q. A.....	40 00
Coventry Parish.....	10 00
Somerset Parish	40 00
Pocomoke Parish.....	18 00
St. Michael's Parish.....	20 00
All Saints' Parish	10 00
St. Peter's Parish.....	50 00
Whitemarsh Parish.....	25 00
Spring Hill Parish.....	12 00
Salisbury Parish.....	18 00
Worcester Parish	15 00
Trinity Cathedral	10 00
	<u>\$488 50</u>

East New Market Parish paid to the Secretary, after the adjournment of the Convention.....	32 00
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DELINQUENT PARISHES.

I. U. Parish.....	\$10 00
North Kent Parish.....	20 00
St. Paul's, Kent County, 2 years.....	40 00
Christ Church, Q. A., 3 years.....	45 00

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

The Committee beg leave to report that the Delegate from Christ Church, Kent Island, informs us that all deficiencies to the Treasury will be paid in a few days; and also that the same assessment now in existence will be necessary to cancel the expenses for the coming year.

The Treasurer, Mr. Hughlett, has received from the Delegate of Wye Parish \$10.00, and the Delegate of All Hallows' Parish \$18 00, which added to the sum received by the Committee makes a total on hand of \$516.50.

Respectfully,

ENOCH K. MILLER,
GEORGE R. GOLDSBOROUGH,
WILLIAM S. CRAFT,
EDWIN DASHIELL.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE TRUST FUND OF THE DIOCESE.

Treasurer in account with Stepney Parish.

Legacy.....	\$89 49
Interest on same to February 1, 1880.....	2 68
From February 1 to June, 1880.....	1 79
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	\$93 96
Interest from June 1, 1880, to June 1, 1881.....	5 64
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	\$99 60

EXTRA ASSESSMENT,
To make up Deficit in Episcopal Fund.

	For 1882.	Arrearages.
St. John's, Caroline,	\$4 00	
St. Mary's Whitechapel,	4 00	
St. Mary Anne's,	12 00	
North Sassafras,	33 00	\$100 00
Trinity, Elkton,	6 00	
St. James', Port Deposit,	10 00	
Dorchester Parish,	7 00	21 00
East New Market,	7 00	
Great Choptank,	25 00	
Vienna,	4 00	8 00
Chester Parish,	36 00	
I. U.,	8 00	24 00
North Kent,	20 00	60 00
St. Paul's, Kent,	25 00	75 00
Shrewsbury,	20 00	60 00
Wye Parish,	8 00	24 00
Christ Church, Q. A.,	12 00	36 00
St. Luke's, Q. A.,	4 00	
St. Paul's, Q. A.,	33 00	
Coventry Parish,	8 00	
Somerset Parish,	33 00	
Pocomoke Parish,	15 00	
St. Michael's Parish,	33 00	
St. Peter's Parish,	40 00	
Whitemarsh Parish,	20 00	
Trinity Cathedral,	8 00	16 00
Spring Hill Parish, {		
Salisbury Parish, }	25 00	50 00
All Hallows',	15 00	45 00
Worcester Parish,	12 00	36 00
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	\$500 00	

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CONVENTION ASSESSMENTS.

German Parish.		
due June, 1892.		
Caroline.	\$5.00	1870-81 10.00
Whitechapel	5.00	
Uncle's.	15.00	
Alfas.	5.00	
Mon.	2.00	
Port Deposit.	12.00	
Parish.	0.00	
Market.	5.00	
Bank.	10.00	
ish.	5.00	
	4.00	
	10.00	1867-83 10.00
	20.00	1882-87 20.00
	20.00	1880-85 20.00
	20.00	1881-86 20.00
	5.00	
	10.00	
ch, Q. A.		1884-89 10.00
	15.00	1870-75 15.00
		1860-65 15.00
Q. A.	0.00	
Q. A.	40.00	
Parish.	50.00	
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Parish.	10.00	
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A BRIEF PASTORAL TO ACCOMPANY THE JOURNAL

As we intend to remember that all mortal men are subject to many sudden perils, diseases and calamities, and ever uncertain what time they may depart out of this life.

Is the intent that we may always be in readiness to die, whensoever it shall please Almighty God to call us, we must receive the Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ.

Moreover every just man should be careful while he is in health, to make his Will and to settle his Debt, what he owes, and what is owing and to him for the better discharging of his conscience and the protection of his executors. Such persons as are of tender conscience should be bound to this point.

Legacies may be left to the various charities and religious undertakings of the Diocese by the names and designations given hereunto.

HENRY C. LAY,

Bishop of Essex.

1. Legacies may be left to the following Charities and Religious Undertakings of the Diocese of Essex, to be paid at the death of the testator or testatrix.

1. To the use of the Clergy Relief Fund of the Diocese, or
2. To the use of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese, or
3. To the use of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese, or
4. To the use of the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese, or
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